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In the news

Trump names 3 to Cabinet

The president-elect offered Representative Ryan Zinke of Montana the job of interior secretary, picked Rick Perry to lead the Energy Department, and lined up support for his selection of Rex Tillerson as secretary of state. The choice of Tillerson has some wondering whether Mitt Romney was ever really a contender for the position. **A2, B1.**



Syrian rebels reached a cease-fire deal to evacuate Aleppo amid reports that civilians trying to flee the city were being gunned down by government forces. **A3.**

Former Boston taxi kingpin Edward J. Tutunjian was ordered to serve 18 months in a halfway house and pay for his stay at his sentencing on federal crimes. **B1.**

Small-business owners are optimistic that Donald Trump will lower taxes, reduce health care costs, and take other steps to improve the economy. **C1.**

The Walsh administration won't support a City Council proposal to impose a fee on single-use plastic bags and make them thicker. **B1.**

The University of Massachusetts and the family of Robert F. Kennedy are discussing a project to honor the former senator and attorney general at the system's Boston campus. **C1.**

Lawyers in the Bill Cosby sexual assault case clashed over the defense team's practice of publicizing the names of the women accusing the comedian of sexual assault. **A8.**

Alan Thicke, who played the likeable father on the 1980s sitcom "Growing Pains" died at the age of 69. The actor also composed several popular theme songs. **B8.**

Arctic plunge

Wednesday: Late snow. High 37-42. Low 22-27.
Thursday: Windy, colder. High 24-29. Low 6-11.
High tide: 10:50 a.m., 11:29 p.m.
Sunrise: 7:06 Sunset: 4:12
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POINT OF VIEW: DANTE RAMOS

"In the last few decades, people have grown accustomed to paying \$4.50 for coffee instead of 50 cents. To insist that \$1.25-an-hour meter rates are sacrosanct is to deny the city the ability to manage its transportation network." **A11.**

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Red flags preceded T's failed \$25m bet

Files show pension fund put trust in ex-chief

By Beth Healy
GLOBE STAFF

When MBTA Retirement Fund board members met in March 2007 to consider sinking \$25 million into a hedge fund, several of them weren't convinced it was a smart move. They wondered whether the fund was too risky, too expensive, or even a good match for that slice of pension money, records recently obtained by the Globe show.

But a month later, the board's executive director at the time, Michael Mulhern, recommended that they commit to

the investment. He cited the "level of trust" they all had in the man pitching the deal, Karl White — who also happened to be Mulhern's predecessor as chief of the \$1.5 billion MBTA pension fund.

It turned out to be trust that was badly misguided.

The hedge fund, run by Fletcher Asset Management, where White had gone to work just 10 months earlier, eventually collapsed. The trustee overseeing New York-based Fletcher's bankruptcy called the operation a fraud, and the pension



Michael Mulhern (left) was chief of the MBTA pension fund in 2007; he succeeded Karl White.

fund lost every dollar it invested on behalf of the MBTA's more than 12,000 employees and retirees.

Retirement board documents newly released to the Globe cast light on how the MBTA Retirement Fund trustees came to make such a disastrous move, and how they failed to promptly report the investment's unraveling to transit workers and taxpayers.

The Globe requested documents related to the Fletcher investment in December 2013, after reporting on the loss and uncovering the White connection. The Massachusetts Bay Transportation **PENSION FUND, Page A7**



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Walter Iwanicki (center) led a yoga class in the chapel of a Holy Cross retreat for students in West Boylston.

By Lisa Wangsness
GLOBE STAFF

Quiet space

Holy Cross students seize the chance to unwind, meditate on spiritual retreats

WEST BOYLSTON — Prepping for college finals can be a pageant of miseries: staggering through the overheated library in search of study space. Scarfing animal crackers from the dorm vending machine at 2 a.m. Trying to sleep through the rager next door.

But for the three dozen Holy Cross students who spent last weekend on an "Eat, Pray, Study" retreat at the college's new contemplative center, the pre-exam period was positively restorative. Enconced in the hilltop haven — more boutique hotel than monastery — they curled up in armchairs to review class notes and sipped cucumber- and mint-infused water from mason jars. They prayed, meditated, and practiced yoga at twilight in the glass-walled chapel.

After living cheek-by-jowl in dorms, where showering might involve someone warbling in the next stall, the weekend was a world apart.

"It's so quiet," marveled Julia D'Agostino, a freshman, a few hours into her stay. "At school, you're very rarely by yourself."

The College of the Holy Cross, like other Jesuit schools, has a long tradition of sending students on five-day silent retreats to practice a short version of the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola. Ignatius, who founded the religious order in the 16th century, devised the regime of prayer, meditation, and contemplation of the Gospels to help foster a personal and intimate experience of God's love and guidance.

Participation in retreats has more than doubled over the last dozen years, to about 500 students annually. The trend, college chaplains say, partly reflects students' growing need for respite from a culture of frenetic overcommitment, digital distraction, and gnawing worry.

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Pot will be legal, but rules are hazy

State is entering a murky phase on Thursday

By Joshua Miller
GLOBE STAFF

Marijuana becomes legal in Massachusetts on Thursday for adults 21 and older. But if you want to purchase some pot, you're going to need to do it the old-fashioned way: from a guy who knows a guy.

Massachusetts is now entering a legal gray zone, because retail stores selling marijuana won't open until January 2018 at the earliest. Adults will be permitted to purchase, possess, home-grow, and use marijuana starting Thursday, but the people they are buying it from will be breaking the law by selling

Only sales of the drug from the regulated market will be legal.

the drug. Only sales from the regulated market will be legal, and that market won't open for at least a year.

The awkward situation was set up intentionally by the authors of the law, who say it was essential to end prohibition of the drug as soon as possible and give regulators enough time to set up proper oversight for the nascent industry. But the drafters acknowledge the dueling imperatives create an imperfect gap year.

"People who want to use marijuana are going to have to get it from the same sources they were getting it from before Dec. 15," said Jim Borghesani,

MARIJUANA, Page A8

Head of teachers union plans to retire

Stutman earned reputation as tough negotiator, advocate

By James Vaznis
GLOBE STAFF

He's been a central player in Boston school affairs under two mayors and five superintendents, famously fighting against charter schools, for teacher raises, and against school closings.

On Tuesday, Richard Stutman, a lifelong student and educator in the Boston public school system, announced his plans to retire as president of the Boston Teachers Union at the end of the school year.

In an age of teacher-bashing, Stutman, who was president of the teachers union for 14 years, earned a reputation for being a tough negotiator, but not a bitter one, as he sought to protect the rights and working condi-



BARRY CHIN/GLOBE STAFF

Richard Stutman was president of the Boston Teachers Union for 14 years. He spent most of his career in the school system. **STUTMAN, Page A12**

In Warren, some are seeing shades of Trump's antics

By Victoria McGrane
GLOBE STAFF

WASHINGTON — A little over a week ago, a powerful politician read something disagreeable in a news article, logged on to social media, wrote a post blasting a private citizen, and sent it to millions of loyal followers.

The politician wasn't Donald Trump. It was Elizabeth Warren.

And the private citizen, a wealthy hedge fund manager named Whitney Tilson, is going public with his belief that Warren misunderstood the comments he made to a Bloomberg News reporter that prompted the Facebook denunciation from the liberal Massachusetts senator.

Tilson is, it turns out, an outspoken critic of president-elect Trump and a big fan of Warren's — and, according to him, one of the few people on Wall Street who agree with much of what she says.

"I wasn't surprised at all about her views on **WARREN, Page A6**

The Nation

Trump picks Perry to lead Energy Department

Also offers Interior role to Mont. lawmaker

By Coral Davenport
NEW YORK TIMES

President-elect Donald Trump plans to name Rick Perry secretary of energy, tapping the former governor of Texas to lead an agency he once said he wanted to eliminate but whose name he could not recall.

“Oops,” Perry famously said in 2011 as he racked his brain during a nationally televised presidential debate, trying to remember the name of the Energy Department — the third Cabinet agency he intended to dismantle, after the Commerce and Education departments.

While Texas is rich in energy resources and Perry is an enthusiastic supporter of extracting them, it is not clear how that experience would translate into leading a department far more devoted to national security and basic science than fossil fuels. Despite its name, the Energy Department plays the leading role in

►Tillerson not only one to get award from Russia. A5.

designing nuclear weapons, thwarting their proliferation, and ensuring the safety and reliability of the nation’s aging nuclear arsenal through a constellation of laboratories considered the crown jewels of government science.

“The Rick Perry choice is so perplexing,” said former senator Byron L. Dorgan, a North Dakota Democrat, who for years led the committee that oversees the Energy Department’s budget.

“I think very few people understand that the Energy Department, to a very substantial degree, is dealing with nuclear weapons,” he added. “And Rick Perry suggested the agency should be abolished. That suggests he thinks it doesn’t have value.”

Trump also has offered the position of interior secretary to Representative Ryan Zinke, a Montana Republican and a former Navy SEAL commander, according to two officials familiar with Trump’s decision.

As head of the agency that oversees energy exploration on



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Rick Perry leaving Trump Tower Monday. As a presidential candidate, he said he’d eliminate the Energy Department.

the nation’s public lands and waters, Zinke would be charged with carrying out the aggressive pro-drilling agenda championed by Trump on the campaign trail.

About 60 percent of the Energy Department’s budget is devoted to managing the National Nuclear Security Administration, which defines its mission as enhancing national security through the military application of nuclear science. Under President Obama, the Energy Department helped secure an agreement with Iran to dismantle its nuclear weapons

program and took on a higher-profile role in efforts to combat global warming. It also established the Advanced Research Projects Agency-Energy to support breakthrough research on clean energy technology.

To that end, the last two energy secretaries, Ernest J. Moniz of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Steven Chu of Stanford, brought to the office their doctorates in physics, their academic credentials, and, in Chu’s case, a Nobel Prize.

Perry, 66, would bring a different set of credentials: gover-

nor of Texas from 2000 to 2015 and a stint as the Texas agriculture commissioner. He holds a bachelor’s degree in animal science from Texas A&M University. In his 2010 book “Fed Up! Our Fight to Save America From Washington,” Perry called the established science of human-caused climate change a “contrived, phony mess.” Those views are in line with those of Trump, who has called climate change a hoax perpetuated by the Chinese.

More recently, Perry was a contestant on the television show “Dancing With the Stars.”

He was briefly a front-runner in the 2012 campaign for the Republican presidential nomination, but his Energy Department “oops moment,” as he called it, is widely seen as having sunk his candidacy. His run for the 2016 nomination ended in late 2015, but not before he called Trump a “barking carnival act” and a “cancer on conservatism.”

While Perry’s government background means he comes from a more traditional mold for a Cabinet member, Trump has largely been turning to business leaders.

Also Tuesday, Trump began enlisting veteran members of the Republican foreign policy establishment to vouch for Rex W. Tillerson, chief executive of Exxon Mobil, as his choice to be secretary of state.

To win Senate confirmation, Tillerson will need to counter bipartisan skepticism about his ties to President Vladimir Putin of Russia over his long career at the energy company. Hearings are expected to focus on the potential conflict between Exxon’s oil and gas deals and US sanctions on Russia.

But Trump’s transition team has lined up high-profile endorsements for Tillerson that began to roll out early Tuesday.

Robert M. Gates, who served as secretary of defense under Obama and President George W. Bush, strongly endorsed Tillerson in a statement Tuesday morning.

Others expected to strongly back Tillerson — and to reject concerns about Russia — are said to include former vice president Dick Cheney and former secretaries of state James A. Baker III and Condoleezza Rice.

DAILY BRIEFING

Church shooting suspect tied to GPS

CHARLESTON, S.C. —

Through a dozen witnesses on Tuesday, federal prosecutors reconstructed the activities of Dylann Roof in the months leading up to night he went to a black Charleston church and shot nine members to death during a Bible study session.

Using data from a Garmin GPS found in Roof’s car when he was arrested, Joseph Hamski, the lead FBI agent on the case, testified that Roof left Columbia at 6:13 p.m. on the night of the shootings at Emanuel AME Church, arriving in downtown Charleston an hour and a half later.

At 8:16 p.m., church surveillance images show him walking into the church. By 9:06 p.m., he’s seen walking out, a black gun in his hand.

Roof, who is white, faces 33 federal charges, including hate crimes and obstruction of the practice of religion. Roof’s attorneys have said repeatedly in both federal and state court that their 22-year-old client is willing to plead guilty if capital punishment is taken off the table, a request prosecutors have refused. Roof faces another death penalty trial next year in state court.

Prior to that night, Hamski testified, Roof made multiple trips to Charleston, stopping at plantations in the area and posing for photographs on a beach. Images of Roof’s travels around the Charleston area were shown in court and previously appeared on his website, last-rhodesian.com, along with his racially inflammatory writings and photographs of Roof posing with a Confederate flag.

Witness testimony is expected to wrap up Wednesday, with the government calling a medical examiner to discuss details of the victims’ injuries.

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Ken Perry and Stan Ly went for a jog in Eagle Creek Park in Indianapolis as snow fell Tuesday. Travel conditions were tough in parts of the state.

Arctic air headed eastward as upper Midwest shivers through deep freeze, scattered snowfall

MINNEAPOLIS — The upper Midwest was in the deep freeze Tuesday, with the arctic air expected to shift eastward and affect millions of people as the week wears on.

The National Weather Service posted advisories for the Dakotas and Minnesota on Tuesday, with wind chills from 10 to 20 below zero. Wind chill is the combination of air temperature and wind, and forecasters say wind chills this

cold can cause frostbite to exposed skin in as little as 30 minutes.

Dense morning fog over much of Texas on Tuesday slowed the commute for motorists and delayed flights at Dallas-area airports. Fog also impaired visibility in the Austin, Houston, and San Antonio regions, and the National Weather Service issued a dense fog advisory for many parts of the state.

In Indiana, snow falling at rates of more than an inch per hour at times caused poor travel conditions, including along the Interstate 70 corridor. The state Department of Transportation deployed nearly 500 snowplows and trucks statewide.

The cold will affect parts of the northern and eastern United States later this week and into the weekend, with frigid temperatures expected in the

Great Lakes, Mid-Atlantic and Northeast regions, according to Climate Prediction Center forecaster Stephen Baxter.

Below-normal temperatures are expected this weekend and into Monday across the entire northern half of the country, from the Pacific Northwest to Maine and as far south as Oklahoma, Arkansas and Virginia, according to the Climate Prediction Center.

Up to half a foot of snow al-

so could fall from the Upper Mississippi Valley to the Northeast on Friday and Saturday, and areas east of the Appalachian Mountains could see freezing rain and sleet on Saturday.

Another arctic air mass on the heels of this cold front is expected to bring below-average temperatures to the northern Plains over the weekend and into early next week.

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Police kill unarmed man after report he had weapon

Police in Bakersfield, Calif., shot and killed an unarmed 73-year-old man whose family said was suffering from dementia, authorities said Tuesday.

Police responded to a report Monday that a man was brandishing a weapon, Bakersfield police Sergeant Gary Carruesco told KBAC. When they arrived, Francisco Serna was standing in the driveway, though it is unclear as to why.

“As some point during that contact, an officer fired several rounds, striking the individual,” Carruesco said. In a statement obtained by the Associated Press, the Kern County cor-

oner said Francisco Serna was declared dead on the scene at 1:15 a.m.

After canvassing the area well into Monday afternoon, police did not recover a gun. According to one of Serna’s sons, he did not own one.

“My dad did not own a gun. He was a 73-year-old retired grandpa, just living life,” Rogelio Serna told the Los Angeles Times. “He should have been surrounded by family at old age, not surrounded by bullets.”

Rogelio Serna told KBAC that his father was against firearms and “even voted for them to get off the streets.”

According to Rogelio, Francisco Serna showed the early stages of dementia and experienced delusions. He said the elder Serna had trouble sleeping and would often take long walks late at night by himself, in an attempt to tire himself.

Rogelio Serna told the Los Angeles Times police had visited Francisco Serna’s home on at least two other occasions when he became confused and activated a medical alarm. Authorities did not confirm this.

The officer who fired the shots is on administrative leave pending an investigation, KBAC reported.

WASHINGTON POST

Suspect in pizzeria shooting allegedly sought recruits

WASHINGTON — A man who stormed into a pizza restaurant in the nation’s capital and fired an assault weapon as he tried to “self-investigate” an internet conspiracy theory sought to recruit others in what he called a raid that could involve killing people, court documents released Tuesday say.

Prosecutors say Edgar Welch now faces a federal charge of interstate transportation of a firearm with intent to commit a crime. No one was injured as he shot multiple times inside the restaurant.

At a brief hearing Tuesday

morning, prosecutors dismissed local charges of assault with a dangerous weapon and other weapons offenses.

A spokesman for the US attorney’s office for the District of Columbia declined to comment, citing the pending investigation.

Welch, 28, of Salisbury, N.C., has been in jail since the Dec. 4 shooting at Comet Ping Pong, which has been targeted by purveyors and commentators of fake news who spread false rumors that it’s the site of a child sex trafficking ring run by prominent Democrats. Welch told police “he had

read online that the Comet restaurant was harboring child sex slaves and that he wanted to see for himself if they were there,” and that “he was armed to help rescue them,” according to previously released court documents.

A federal court document made public Tuesday says evidence obtained from Welch’s cellphone shows he “had been contemplating a violent confrontation at the restaurant since at least” Dec. 1.

The document details a series of text messages Welch exchanged with two unnamed friends, seeking their help.

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The World

Syrian rebels agree to pull out of Aleppo

Military action done, Russia says

Reports surface of executions

By Anne Barnard
NEW YORK TIMES

BEIRUT — Russia declared on Tuesday that the four-year battle over Aleppo, Syria's largest city, was over, as the last remaining rebel fighters agreed to turn over their territory to the Syrian government. While pro-government forces were moving in, United Nations officials said they were receiving multiple reports of execution-style killings.

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The deal was announced just as civilians inside the rebel enclave said they had lost hope. They had spent days huddled in abandoned apartments under heavy shelling, as those with a record of opposing the government said they were bracing for arrest, conscription, or death.

Under the deal, evacuations are to begin at 5 a.m. Wednesday. Earlier Tuesday, fears had mounted as the United Nations said it had reports Syrian troops or allied Iraqi militiamen were gunning down families in apartments and on the streets, with the toll reaching 82 civilians.

Several residents said they had lost contact with relatives in those same areas, and a monitoring group, the Syrian Observatory for Human Rights, said the number of men forced to join the army upon fleeing to government areas had reached 6,000. And with no way to treat the



AFP/GETTY IMAGES

Syrian residents fled violence in one neighborhood of Aleppo and walked to another Tuesday, after regime troops retook the area from rebels.

wounded, bodies were piling up on the streets of the shrinking rebel territory.

But then came the deal, and the shelling quieted down. Russia, Turkey, and Syrian rebel groups announced they had agreed to evacuate all remaining fighters to rebel-held territory, with civilians free to join them or move to government-held areas, leaving the whole city of Aleppo in government hands.

If the deal is carried out, and all rebel fighters leave, it would mark a major turning point in Syria's nearly six-year war. It would put all major cities along the country's more populous western spine back under government control, though Kurdish militias and the so-called caliphate of the

Islamic State continue to hold large areas to the east.

A full evacuation from Aleppo would be the largest success of the government's starve-or-surrender strategy, bombing and besieging areas until fighters and residents agree to surrender. It would leave the armed opposition to the Syrian president, Bashar Assad, in control of just one provincial capital, Idlib — where rebels from Aleppo will be bused — as well as stretches of rural territory in northern and southern Syria and several other isolated patches.

But the victory leaves Assad more dependent than ever on Iran and Russia, and so despised by his opponents, including many of Syria's majority Sunnis, that they may nev-

er again accept him as a legitimate ruler. The territory he has reconquered has been won at a devastating cost, and much of the country remains in the hands of his enemies.

When the agreement was announced Tuesday, the remaining residents — who just hours before had been sending what they thought were their last farewells — suddenly had to reckon with their mixed feelings about a bittersweet and uncertain escape.

Now, it seemed, they would survive, and avoid arrest in a country where dissent can be punished by torture. Yet now they would have to leave their city, perhaps forever.

"I don't know whether to laugh or cry," Bassem Ayoub, a longtime antigovernment ac-

tivist, posted on Facebook. "My soul is leaving my body. Aleppo, my life, my life."

As preparations began for the departures from eastern Aleppo, government supporters celebrated in the streets.

Fares Shehabi, a prominent member of Parliament and industrialist, wrote on Twitter, "If the deal can save only one civilian then we are with it even when giving a break to major Al Qaeda factions is unpopular in Aleppo!"

Some of the fighters in Aleppo belong to the Al Qaeda affiliate Levant Conquest Front, but the majority are from local groups that receive some support from the United States and its allies.

Rebels, activists, and aid workers in eastern Aleppo said

they had been told civilians and fighters could all leave and travel to rebel-held areas. That satisfied a key demand that both groups have an option to avoid going to government-controlled areas, where dissidents and medical and humanitarian workers working in rebel-held areas have been punished as terrorists.

The deal was struck after widespread concern about the fate of civilians, with the United Nations warning of "a complete meltdown of humanity" and protests breaking out at UN headquarters in New York and Russian embassies in several cities, including London, Stockholm, and Istanbul. There were also protests in rebel-held territories to the north.

DAILY BRIEFING

Ruling party seeks new vote in Gambia

DAKAR, Senegal — Gambia's ruling party pressed Tuesday for a fresh presidential election as West African regional mediators intervened to try to resolve a mounting political crisis in the tiny country that voted its leader of 22 years from power less than two weeks ago.

A petition signed by the secretary general of President Yahya Jammeh's party on Tuesday demanded a new vote with a revalidated voter registry.

The document says that the election was not conducted fairly or in good faith and should be invalidated.

Jammeh initially acknowledged defeat, but he announced last week that he was rejecting the results of the election.

Among the irregularities cited in the petition brought against the Independent Electoral Commission and Gambia's attorney general were the different results reported the day after the election and again on Dec. 5.

The commission said the vote was transparent, fair, and accurate.

Soldiers remained in the streets Tuesday as Gambians worried about unrest.

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Canada takes a step in move toward legalizing recreational marijuana

TORONTO — Canada's government said Tuesday that it would study a federal task force's recommendation that Canadians over 18 years old be allowed to buy marijuana for recreational purposes and would announce new laws in the spring that would legalize the drug.

Prime Minister Justin

Trudeau has long promised to legalize recreational marijuana use and sales. Canada would be the largest developed country to end prohibition of recreational marijuana. Voters in California, Massachusetts, Maine, and Nevada voted Nov. 8 to approve the use of recreational marijuana, joining Colorado,

Washington, Oregon, and Alaska, where it had previously been legalized.

The marijuana task force report recommended that adults could carry up to 30 grams for recreational purposes and grow up to four plants. It also recommended that higher-potency marijuana be taxed at a higher rate than

weaker strains. It also said it should not be sold in the same location as alcohol or tobacco. Under the proposals, alcohol-free cannabis lounges would be allowed.

Trudeau said Canada would control and regulate the sale to keep it out of the hands of children.

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Actresses Gal Gadot (left) and Lynda Carter were on hand for the UN ceremony in October.

Wonder Woman no match for UN

NEW YORK — The comic book heroine Wonder Woman has been abruptly fired from her honorary ambassador job at the United Nations following protests from both inside and outside the world organization that a white, skimpily dressed American prone to violence wasn't the best role model for girls.

Rheal LeBlanc, head of press and external relations, said Tuesday that the appointment of Wonder Woman as an Honorary Ambassador for the Empowerment of Women and Girls would end this week, less than two months after a splashy ceremony at the UN,

which attracted actresses Lynda Carter, who played Wonder Woman in the 1970s TV series, and Gal Gadot, who has the role in the forthcoming "Wonder Woman" film.

Critics said that the appointment was tone deaf at a time when real women are fighting against sexual exploitation and abuse, and that there are plenty of real heroines that could be the face for gender equality.

An online petition, started by UN staffers and signed by more than 44,000 people, asked the secretary general to reconsider the appointment.

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Afghan leader tortured me, rival says

Claims he was abducted, held for five days

By Mujib Mashal and Fahim Abed
NEW YORK TIMES

KABUL — A political rival of Vice President Abdul Rashid Dostum of Afghanistan said on Tuesday that he had been tortured and raped with an assault rifle over five days after being abducted by Dostum last month.

In an interview with The New York Times, the political rival, Ahmad Ishchi, said he was badly abused by the general, who was the acting president at the time because President Ashraf Ghani was out of the country, and by the general's men.

"I can kill you right now, and no one will ask," Ishchi said Dostum told him. He

claimed the vice president stepped on his throat and pressed down after he had already been beaten and bloodied.

Dostum's office, in a statement, called the accusation a conspiracy to defame the vice president. The statement said Ishchi had not been abducted, but rather had been arrested by security forces on charges of supporting the opposition, for which he remains under investigation.

"It's clear there are puppet elements that are trying to influence the international perceptions, and our advice to them is to avoid rushing and premature judgments," the statement said.

Multiple witnesses reported seeing Dostum personally beating Ishchi and having his men drive away with him in a truck during a buzkashi match in northern Afghanistan last month. Despite repeated re-

quests, Dostum and his staff would not comment on the accusations at the time.

"If he has animosity with me, I would have no problem if he had killed me with a bullet," Ishchi said in the interview. "My character needs to

'For Afghan government, nobody is above the law. We will fully investigate the allegation.'

HAROON CHAKHANSOORI
Spokesman for the president of Afghanistan

be restored, my rights have been trampled. They should tell me the reasons. If he is the vice president, I am also a human, I have a right to live in this country."

Many of the Western embassies in Kabul expressed concern on Tuesday about Ishchi's accusations, which he also made to other news organizations, and called for an investigation.

"The EU and its member states present in Kabul, Australia, Canada and Norway, call for a fair and transparent official investigation as regards reports of gross human rights' violations and abuses against Mr. Ahmad Ishchi as well as concerning the allegations made against the 1st Vice President, General Abdul Rashid Dostum," the European Union said in a statement

Tuesday.

Haroon Chakhansoori, a spokesman for the president, said the government was committed to investigating the accusations.

"For Afghan government, nobody is above the law," Chakhansoori said. "We will fully investigate the allegation. Rule of law and accountability begins from government itself, and we are committed to it."

Dostum is a former warlord with a history of accusations of human rights violations and abuse, including physical acts of retaliation against allies and rivals. In the past, the US government, despite counting Dostum as one of its earliest allies in the war, had urged the former president, Hamid Karzai, against using the general as a campaign ally.

When Ghani, a Western-educated technocrat, selected Dostum as his running mate two years ago in an effort to gain the support of his ethnic Uzbek constituency, it immediately raised concerns. Many feared that Ghani would struggle to contain a man he had once described as "a known killer."

The rivalry between Ishchi and Dostum dates back about three decades, to the final days of the Soviet-backed Communist government in Afghanistan. Dostum outmaneuvered Ishchi to become the head of a regional paramilitary force, but Ishchi refused to serve as a subordinate of the general, remaining one of the political pockets that the general could not control in his northern stronghold.

The recent hostility broke out on Nov. 25, in northern Jowzjan province, during a game of buzkashi between horsemen belonging to Ishchi on one side and Dostum on the opposite.

Ishchi, 63, said that the vice president summoned him over and was already fuming when he met him.

He said Dostum started insulting him, and then had his bodyguards throw Ishchi to the ground and stepped on his throat.

"He pressed for about two minutes like that," Ishchi said. "There were around 2,000 people in the arena watching."

He said his hands were tied behind him, and he was driven to Dostum's home in the back of an armored vehicle. "They stuck to me like a wolf does to sheep — tearing my vest, taking off my cape, my boots, and my pants," he said.

He then detailed days of abuse, including repeated beatings and being raped with the barrel of a Kalashnikov rifle by one of Dostum's men, leaving him internally injured. His account could not be independently verified.



FAISAL AL NASSER/REUTERS/FILE 2013

Women's rights activists have criticized Saudi Arabia's restrictions on women, including a ban on women driving.

Saudi woman charged after tweeting shot of herself without hijab

Government says she violated 'general morals'

By Samantha Schmidt
WASHINGTON POST

The Saudi woman was going out for breakfast when she decided to make a statement. Violating the country's moral codes, she reportedly stepped out in public wearing a floral dress, black jacket, and ankle boots — but without wearing a hijab or abaya, a loose-fitting garment.

Late last month, she tweeted a photo of her outfit, and the post circulated through Saudi Arabia, drawing death threats and demands to imprison or even execute the woman.

On Monday, police in the country's capital of Riyadh said they had arrested the woman, following their duty to monitor "violations of general morals," a spokesman, Fawaz al-Maiman said, AFP reported. The woman, who is in her 20s, was imprisoned after she had posted the tweet of herself standing next to a popular Riyadh cafe, he said.

He also accused her of "speaking openly about prohibited relations" with unrelated men, according to AFP.

"Riyadh police stress that the action of this woman violates the laws applied in this country," Maiman said, urging the public to "adhere to the teachings of Islam." Saudi women are expected to wear headscarves and loose-fitting garments such as an abaya when in public.

The spokesman did not name the woman, but a number of websites identified her as Malak al-Shehri, whose tweet drew international support on Twitter and Facebook two weeks ago. Some referred to her as the "Saudi Rosa Parks," comparing her to the American civil rights activist who was arrested for refusing to give up her bus seat to a white passenger.

According to a woman interviewed by the International

Business Times, Shehri had tweeted about her plans to go to breakfast without a headscarf or abaya, and her followers asked her to post a picture. The tweet and photo were posted from her account @AngelQShe, which was later deleted.

Shehri, whose first name means Angel, soon received a series of hateful messages, including many with the hashtag "we demand the imprisonment of the rebel Malak al-Shehri."

One account tweeted "we want blood." Other users wrote, "Kill her and throw her corpse to the dogs" and "The least punishment for her is beheading her."

Once the news of her arrest was released, some tweeted in approval of the authorities' actions. One user wrote he was thankful the woman was arrested, and demanded harsh penalties from her. "The country's system has not been respected," he wrote.

Yet many others praised her bravery and defiance, criticizing Saudi Arabia's requirement that all women wear loose-fitting abayas.

Women's rights activists have criticized the country's other strict requirements for women, such as its ban on women driving; it is the only country in the world with such a prohibition. Saudi women are also required to obtain permission from a husband or male relative to receive a passport, travel outside the country, or marry.

Despite these longstanding moral codes, key milestones have taken place in the past year for women's rights in the country. For the first time in the country's history, women were allowed to vote during last December's municipal elections.

In September, more than 14,000 Saudi women signed a petition calling for an end to the country's male guardianship system.

Late last month, a billionaire Saudi prince took a striking stance against the country's rule prohibiting women to drive.

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Iran, angered by US sanctions, begins planning for nuclear ships

By Amir Vahdat and Jon Gambrell
ASSOCIATED PRESS

TEHRAN — Iran's president on Tuesday ordered officials to draw up plans to build nuclear-powered ships and to show how the United States violated last year's nuclear deal, a response to a vote by the US Congress to extend some sanctions on the country.

The move by President Hassan Rouhani came in response to the extension of the Iran Sanctions Act and was widely seen as posturing that would not affect the landmark nuclear deal concluded with world powers.

The sanctions act awaits President Obama's signature to become law, but comes amid speculation over how President-elect Donald Trump, a critic of the nuclear deal, will address the issue when he assumes office Jan. 20.

Rouhani's letter, read aloud on state television and published by the official IRNA news agency, gave Ali Akbar Salehi of Iran's Atomic Energy Organization three months to come up with a plan for nuclear-powered ships and producing fuel for them.

A separate letter ordered Foreign Minister Mohammad

Javad Zarif to "follow up on the US violations" of the nuclear deal.

Rouhani "said the measures were warranted in light of the United States' foot-dragging in fulfilling its commitments under the multilateral nuclear deal . . . and the recent ratification of anti-Iran legislation in the US Congress," state television reported.

Foreign Minister Mohammad Javad Zarif said Iran has sent two letters in recent months to EU foreign policy chief Federica Mogherini to protest the sanctions legislation, which he called a violation of the nuclear deal, IRNA reported.

The US bill, first passed by Congress in 1996 and renewed several times since, allows America to impose economic sanctions on companies for doing business with Iran. It's drawn anger from Iran, which wrote to the United Nations over it and held a high-level meeting last week over how to respond.

The White House has described the bill as unnecessary but said it didn't violate the international accord signed by six world powers and Iran.

The nuclear deal limits Iran's ability to enrich urani-

um in exchange for the lifting of some international economic sanctions. It allows Iran to conduct peaceful atomic research.

Rouhani's letter did not elaborate on what use the country had for nuclear-powered ships. However, the technology is predominantly used in military applications, as in submarines and aircraft carriers.

In June 2012, an Iranian admiral was reported as saying the country had begun to design its first nuclear submarine, though the project never came to fruition. Iran has no aircraft carriers, but operates a fleet of conventionally powered Russian and locally made submarines.

Iran's move toward nuclear-powered ships appears to be permitted under the nuclear deal, depending on the type of fuel used, said David Mortlock, who once served as director of international economic affairs at the White House National Security Council.

"Essentially, the deal does not prevent this from happening so long as the nuclear work is done in a particular way, so long as it is transparent and so long as it doesn't cross any lines," Mortlock said.

As a city falls, Trump faces test on Russia stance

Many fear hints of closer ties in anti-ISIS cause

By Josh Lederman and Bradley Klapper
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Aleppo's fall to Syrian government forces is shaping up as the first major test of President-elect Donald Trump's desire to cooperate with Russia, whose military support has proven pivotal in Syria's civil war. The death and destruction in the city is only renewing Democratic and Republican concern with Trump's possible new path.

Though Trump has been vague about his plans to address this next phase in the nearly six-year-old conflict, he's suggested closer alignment between US and Russian goals could be in order.

His selection Tuesday of Exxon Mobil CEO Rex Tillerson, who has extensive business dealings with Russia and ties to President Vladimir Putin, fueled further speculation that Trump will pursue a rapprochement with Moscow.

Indeed, Trump was already trying to portray Tillerson's connections with Russia as a plus. In talking points circulated on Capitol Hill and obtained by The Associated Press, Trump's transition team said Tillerson would "work closely" with Russia on "defeating radical Islam" but would "easily challenge Russia and other countries when necessary."

"President Putin knows Mr. Tillerson means what he says," the talking points say.

A warmer relationship could alter US policy on nuclear weapons, sanctions, Ukraine, and innumerable other issues — but none so clearly or quickly as Syria, where President Bashar Assad's defeat of US-backed rebels in Aleppo is poised to be a turning point. Assad and Russia are expected to seize the moment to try to persuade the United States to abandon its flailing strategy of trying to prop up the rebels in their battle to oust Assad.

That decision will fall to Trump.

The president-elect has not commented or tweeted about the crisis in Aleppo and widespread fears of humanitarian disaster. Yet his previous comments on the broader conflict suggest he's more than open to a policy shift.

During the campaign, Trump asserted that defeating the Islamic State group in Syria, not Assad, must be the top priority, a position that mirrors Russia's.

"I believe we have to get ISIS. We have to worry about ISIS before we can get too much more involved," Trump said in October, using an acronym for the extremist group.

Prioritizing the fight against IS could put the United States

'Putin is a thug, a bully, and a murderer, and anybody else who describes him as anything else is lying.'

SENATOR JOHN MCCAIN
After word of Tillerson selection

in closer alignment with Russia's public position, in a Middle Eastern take on the adage that "the enemy of my enemy is my friend." It's a point Trump appeared to make during a presidential debate when he noted that he didn't like Assad, but added, "Assad is killing ISIS. Russia is killing ISIS."

And in his first days as the president-elect Trump suggested he might withdraw US support for the various rebel groups that make up Assad's opposition, saying "we have no idea who these people are."

Trump's posture doesn't just buck President Obama's policy, it conflicts with his party's stance, as well.

Trump's running mate, Vice President-elect Mike Pence, argued during the campaign that the United States should strike Assad's forces if needed to pre-

vent devastation in Aleppo. Trump took the remarkable step of contradicting him. "I disagree," Trump said, and Pence quickly backed off the threat of military action.

Both Democratic and Republican critics say Trump's brushstroke analysis of Syria's internal conflicts paints a far rosier picture of Russia's aims than reality — and even endorses some of the propaganda Assad has used to delegitimize his opponents.

"Putin is a thug, a bully and a murderer, and anybody else who describes him as anything else is lying," Senator John McCain, an Arizona Republican, said after word emerged that Trump was picking Tillerson as his chief diplomat.

While Moscow has attacked IS at times, the United States and its allies say most Russian airstrikes have targeted rebel-dominated areas where IS isn't active. American officials accuse Assad of a soft approach toward IS, and even of colluding with the group in hopes of marginalizing US-backed rebels.

Though the US under Obama has tried to work diplomatically with Russia, Syria cease-fire deals have repeatedly collapsed, with the US accusing Moscow of failing to use its influence to prevent Assad from violating them. Meanwhile, Russia's military intervention has been successful in helping Assad reclaim the upper hand, making Putin a key player in Syria's future.

So closely aligned are Russia and Syria that it was Russia that negotiated a cease-fire to evacuate the last civilians and opposition fighters from eastern Aleppo, rebels said. The rebels had been squeezed for months into smaller and smaller areas of Aleppo. The city's status as Syria's commercial hub makes its capture a key victory for Assad.

Robert Ford, a former US ambassador to Syria and a Middle East Institute scholar, said the images of suffering emanating from Syria could force Trump to outline a more detailed response.



Alexei Navalny, shown at a court hearing earlier this year in Kirov, said, "There have been no true elections in Russia since 1996, and this is one of the reasons of our plight."

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Putin critic vows to seek presidency

Navalny is called most vocal critic of the Kremlin

By Ivan Nechepurenko
NEW YORK TIMES

MOSCOW — Alexei Navalny, the most vocal critic of the Kremlin, announced on Tuesday his intention to run for president of Russia, though he is facing a court trial that could make him ineligible to participate in the campaign.

"There have been no true elections in Russia since 1996, and this is one of the reasons of our plight," Navalny said in a video statement, posted on his new campaign website. "I will participate in the election, and I will fight for victory."

Apart from Navalny, only Grigory A. Yavlinsky, the leader of the liberal party Yabloko, has declared his intention to run for the post. President Vladimir Putin has deflected questions about his own candidacy, saying it is too early to talk about it. But he is widely expected to run and, in light of his soaring approval ratings and control over the media, is expected to win.

The vote is scheduled to take place in March 2018.

A lawyer by training, Navalny, 40, emerged as Russia's most prominent opposition politician on the wave of public protests that followed parliamentary elections in 2011, seen by many as flawed.

But as Navalny's popularity was surging, Russian investigators got busy, filing a number of criminal cases that

rights advocates have dismissed as politically motivated. In 2013, a court in the provincial Russian town of Kirov convicted Navalny on charges of embezzling timber worth \$500,000 from a state-owned company and sentenced him to five years in prison.

The sentence was later suspended but the criminal conviction barred Navalny from running for office — the outcome that Navalny and others say was the government's goal from the beginning.

In the meantime, Navalny garnered 27 percent of the vote in a race for mayor of Moscow, a better result than any other open critic of the Kremlin since Putin assumed office in 1999.

That Navalny was even allowed to run was seen as an attempt by the Kremlin to make the election look more legitimate.

In November, Russia's Su-

preme Court overturned Navalny's criminal conviction after the European Court of Human Rights ruled in February that Russian courts had violated his right to a fair trial. While Navalny is free for the moment to campaign, the criminal case will be retried by a court in Kirov.

Over the years, Navalny has repeatedly accused Putin and members of his inner circle of rampant corruption and has been tolerated as long as he does not seem to pose a serious threat.

In his statement, Navalny promised to raise the issue of official corruption during the campaign.

"The Kremlin and the government are only worried about solving their own financial issues," Navalny said in the video. "I will discuss what everybody is silent about, but what has to be said for a long time."

Winners of Russian friendship medal make up an eclectic group

By David Filipov
WASHINGTON POST

MOSCOW — You don't have to be a close personal friend of President Vladimir Putin to be awarded Russia's Order of Friendship, much less the globe-trotting head of one of the world's most powerful corporations.

You can be a basketball coach who couldn't cut it in Cleveland. Or a museum director in Minnesota who's just happy to know that Putin isn't angry at him for holding onto a large collection of Russian paintings.

So while there may be plenty of valid concerns about the Russian entanglements of Rex Tillerson, the chief executive of ExxonMobil tapped by President-elect Donald Trump to be the next secretary of state, his 2013 Order of Friendship award, based on its own merits, isn't necessarily one of them.

Tillerson won the award after signing deals with the state-owned Russian oil company, Rosneft, whose chief, Igor Sechin, is seen as Putin's loyal lieutenant. The partnership had begun a drilling program in the Arctic's Kara Sea, where Exxon made a find, and had agreed to explore shale oil areas of West Siberia and deep waters of the Black Sea. But US sanctions against Russia over the annexation of Crimea kicked in, and the partnership was put on hold.

ExxonMobil spent \$650 million to drill one wildcat hole in the Kara Sea, and had gotten just a measly sample of oil, said Mikhail Krutikhin, co-owner of RusEnergy, an independent oil and gas consultancy.

Note to Senator Lindsey O. Graham, the Republican from South Carolina, who called the fact that Putin awarded Tillerson the award "unnerving":



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In 2012, Russian President Vladimir Putin presented ExxonMobil CEO Rex Tillerson with a medal.

The Wichita Falls native isn't even the first "Texan who conquered Russia" to earn one.

That would be the late pianist Van Cliburn, to whom Putin awarded an Order of Friendship in 2004, for, among other things, his 1958 first-place showing in the Tchaikovsky International Competition. The people most unnerved by that were the organizers of the event, who never dreamed a 23-year-old raised in Kilgore, Texas, could swoop into Moscow and walk away with the prize.

Since it was established in 1994 by Russia's president at the time, Boris N. Yeltsin, the order has gone out to a number of less-prominent Americans, historians, and business figures, as well as one arguably unsuccessful National Basketball Association coach.

David Blatt was fired midway through his second season in January, even though his Cleveland Cavaliers were in first place and would eventually go on to win the NBA title. What wasn't good enough for Cleveland was perfectly fine for the Kremlin. Blatt was awarded

an Order of Friendship in 2014 for his successes as the head coach of the Russian National Team between 2006 and 2012.

Not only do you not have to be a friend of Putin to get the award, you can also be someone worried about getting on the Kremlin leader's bad side.

In 2006, Raymond E. Johnson, founder of the Museum of Russian Art in Minneapolis, was awarded an Order of Friendship in recognition of 20 years of efforts to enhance cultural understanding between Russia and the United States.

Johnson and his wife, Susan, according to the museum's website, "have acquired what is believed to be the largest privately owned collection of Russian Realist paintings outside the borders of the former Soviet Union."

In 2012, Johnson recalled that his Order of Friendship brought relief that Russia didn't consider him an enemy.

"What this meant to me was that they were proud of what we were doing and not angry about our having a large part of their art history," he said.

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In Warren's attacks, some see shades of Trump

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the financial industry and about Donald Trump. I was shocked that she was using me as an example, given that she had obviously completely misread the article and what my views really are, 'cause my views are the same as hers," Tilson said in an interview with the Globe.

Warren's critics see the

dust-up with Tilson — which got a very public airing in a prominent New York Times business column Tuesday — as an example of the progressive champion's occasional tendency toward ideologically driven impulsiveness.

Andrew Ross Sorkin, the Times columnist who featured Tilson's saga, accused Warren of displaying behavior that resembled that of Trump's social media outbursts, with what the columnist called her "knee-jerk, fact-free" response to a news story.

"She has a tendency to shoot first and ask questions later," said Mark Calabria, director of financial regulation studies at the libertarian think tank, Cato Institute, who shares Warren's skepticism of giving Wall Street insiders plum government jobs but doesn't see eye to eye with her on most policy issues.

"The attack seems gratuitous. She appears to be equating rich with evil," said Jeffrey M. Berry, a political scientist at Tufts University. He predicted the hubbub wouldn't hurt Warren's image, since she's beloved by those who love to see folks lash out at Wall Street, "but she could have thrown darts at half the addresses in Greenwich, Conn., and come up with better targets than Mr. Tilson."

The spark of this fight was a Nov. 30 Bloomberg article on Trump's emerging choice of Wall Street bigwigs for prominent administration posts, teeing off the news that he had tapped former Goldman Sachs trader Steven Mnuchin to run the Treasury Department. The article prominently featured Tilson, quoting him in the opening paragraphs as saying he can "take glee" at Trump's supporters being angry that the president-elect is stocking his Cabinet with rich Wall Street types.

"I think Donald Trump conned them," the article quotes Tilson saying of Trump's supporters. "I worried that he was going to do crazy



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"I was shocked that she was using me as an example, given that she had obviously completely misread the article."

WHITNEY TILSON

things that would blow the system up. So the fact that he's appointing people from within the system is a good thing."

The next afternoon, Warren let loose. "Hedge fund managers like Whitney Tilson are thrilled by Donald Trump's economic team of Wall Street insiders," she wrote to her more than 2.4 million Facebook followers, quoting from the Bloomberg article. "If Trump gets his way, the next four years are going to be a bonanza for the Whitney Tilsons of the world — at the expense and pain of everyone else."

Tilson, who runs a hedge fund called Kase Capital, said that Warren's reading of what he said was so off base that he sort of chuckled when he read it. He had donated \$2,500 in 2012 to Warren's campaign, and more recently he and his wife gave \$1,000 in order to see Warren speak at a Hillary Clinton fund-raiser in New York. He also spoke out forcefully against Trump throughout the campaign.

Tilson tried to explain later to Warren's chief of staff that he meant he was angry at those voters who supported Trump so was taking pleasure that they were getting what he considered their just deserts. And the Bloomberg article clarified further down in the story that Tilson's praise of Mnuchin and other Cabinet choices was an expression of relief that Trump didn't name completely unqualified picks for important economic policy posts.

The Bloomberg article also noted Tilson's support for the Dodd-Frank financial law.

Tilson is also an outspoken education reform advocate who supports charter schools. A group he cofounded, Democrats for Education Reform, spent \$500,000 to try to sway Massachusetts voters to sup-

port a ballot measure allowing more charter schools, a question Warren opposed.

Tilson's wife, Susan, who in 1992 was a student in Warren's first-ever Harvard Law bankruptcy class and considers herself one of Warren's biggest fans, was not amused at her eruption.

She wrote Warren an e-mail expressing disappointment in the "inaccurate" Facebook post and asked the senator to delete the post and take some time to get to know her husband. "I think you would like him," she wrote.

In response, Warren's staff told the Tilsons they would delete the description of Tilson being a billionaire, but otherwise leave it as-is.

A Warren aide told the Globe that while Tilson and the senator agree on some things, she finds it unsettling he would be happy that the American people were "conned" by Trump and his economic promises. The aide also said Warren strongly disagrees with Tilson's praise of the appointments of Wall Street insiders to key positions.

Certainly being a Democratic donor or expressing support for Dodd-Frank hasn't shielded others from Warren's ire, particularly when it comes to her focus on who is getting key economic policy positions.

Most famously, the Massachusetts liberal sunk the nomination of Antonio Weiss, an investment banker who was also described by allies as a progressive Democrat, after President Obama named him as his pick to be a top official at the Treasury Department. After he withdrew his name from consideration for that job, Weiss joined the department as an adviser to the secretary.

Warren was also involved behind the scenes in helping

scuttle the candidacy of Larry Summers — another longtime Democrat who professed support for Dodd-Frank, but one with less progressive economic views than Warren — to be Obama's nominee for Federal Reserve chairman.

When it comes to her signature issues, Warren has been known to use her megaphone to criticize people who are hardly household names. In September 2015, she publicly challenged economist Robert Litan and the highly regarded think tank he was associated with after he gave testimony in a congressional hearing critical of a financial rule she supports.

Warren charged that Litan's research had been done at the behest of financial interests opposed to the rule who funded his report. Her complaints about the conflict of interest ultimately led Litan to resign his "nonresident" position at the Brookings Institute, even though he considered Warren's criticism largely unfair. He, too, is on the record supporting many of the financial changes Warren has championed, including the creation of the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau.

Litan declined to comment for this article, noting his past experience.

To be sure, many on the left think Warren's style is exactly what Democrats need, particularly in the era of Trump.

"Senator Warren is one thousand percent right. Donald Trump is betraying his own voters by appointing Wall Street elites and billionaires who will fight for big corporations at the expense of working families," said Adam Green, cofounder of the Progressive Change Campaign Committee.

Even Tilson is reluctant to completely criticize Warren's instincts in attacking him.

"I think being a bit of a bomb-thrower is a good and healthy thing," said Tilson. "But you have to be clever . . . and pick your battles wisely."

That includes her efforts to prevent a revolving door between Wall Street and the federal government. He agrees with the goal, generally, but "she's too dogmatic about it," Tilson said. "She should have been doing handshakes that someone like Antonio Weiss would be brought into the administration. He and I are about her only two supporters in the financial industry and we're the two she's choosing to take shots at."

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Kasich splits on 2 Ohio abortion bills

Governor signs 20-week limit; stricter law vetoed

By Sheryl Gay Stolberg
NEW YORK TIMES

WASHINGTON — Governor John Kasich of Ohio on Tuesday signed into law a ban on abortion after 20 weeks of pregnancy, but vetoed a far more restrictive measure that would have barred abortions after a fetal heartbeat was detected, as early as six weeks into a pregnancy.

In reaching the split decision on the bans, adopted last week by the Ohio Legislature, Kasich said the so-called heartbeat bill was "clearly contrary to the Supreme Court's current rulings on abortion." He called the 20-week ban the "best, most legally sound and sustainable approach to protecting the sanctity of human life."

The 20-week ban has no exceptions for rape, incest, or the life of the mother, and abortion rights advocates say it is extreme. Ohio currently bars abortions after 24 weeks of pregnancy; the new law will take effect in 90 days.

With the governor's signature, Ohio becomes the 18th state to adopt a 20-week abortion ban, though two of those bans — in Arizona and Idaho — have been struck down as unconstitutional by federal courts. Legal experts say Ohio's 20-

Okla. court blocks law limiting doctors

By Sandhya Somashekhar
WASHINGTON POST

The Oklahoma Supreme Court on Tuesday blocked a state law that would have required abortion providers to have special relationships with hospitals, in continuing fallout from a Supreme Court ruling earlier this year striking down a similar provision in Texas.

The Oklahoma measure, passed in 2014, required a physician to have so-called admitting privileges at a hospital within 30 miles. Supporters said it was necessary to ensure that the doctor could treat a woman at the hospital in case of a medical complication. Opponents argued that the standard was virtually impossible to meet,

week ban is far more likely to survive a constitutional challenge than the heartbeat bill.

Kasich's actions come as abortion rights advocates and abortion opponents are gearing up for intense battles in the wake of the election of Donald Trump to the White House. Trump's victory has changed the political winds around abortion politics, emboldening the antiabortion movement.

Even so, movement leaders in Ohio feared that the "heart-

effectively preventing the doctor from performing abortions for no good medical reason considering how safe most abortions are. The law was opposed by medical groups including the American Medical Association.

In an opinion issued Tuesday, the court found that the law "creates an undue burden on a woman's access to abortion, violating protected rights under our federal constitution."

It also found that it violates the Oklahoma Constitution as well as Whole Woman's Health v. Hellerstedt, the Supreme Court decision six months ago that struck down a Texas law that, among other things, required admitting privileges.

beat bill" would bring on a court challenge, and could set back their cause, given the current makeup of the Supreme Court.

Whether the 20-week ban will be challenged in court is unclear. In Washington, NARAL Pro-Choice America, which supports abortion rights, criticized the ban, saying on Twitter that such laws "deny medical care to desperate people in the most depraved circumstances."

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The board provided heavily redacted records last week as part of a settlement in which the Globe agreed to dismiss the case and the pension board pledged to “voluntarily” respond to public records requests starting Jan. 1, when a broad update of the state’s public records law takes effect.

The fund, which covers 5,885 employees and 6,472 retirees and beneficiaries, was organized as a private trust in 1948. Its overseers historically have fought to operate in secret, claiming exemptions from state laws on conflicts of interest and public records, despite nearly \$500 million in taxpayer funding over the past 10 years.

The new records law specifically calls on the MBTA Retirement Fund to comply for the first time. But the pension fund says it could decide to fight the law, maintaining the disclosure requirements are unconstitutional if applied to a private entity.

“Although it has no definite plans or intentions at this time of doing so, the Fund may invoke its rights at any time,” pension board spokesman Steve Crawford said in a statement.

Mulhern, who declined to comment for this article, announced his resignation in June, days after Governor Charlie Baker signed the public records bill into law.

Mulhern is a former bus driver who served as MBTA general manager before retiring and taking the pension role in 2006. Records from the March, 16, 2007, board meeting detail his discussion with the board about shifting \$110 million worth of pension money out of stocks and into less risky bonds. That had prompted a search for fixed-income managers, ranging from plain vanilla bond index funds to the Fletcher hedge fund.

At that March meeting, White attended a presentation to the board along with chief executive Alphonse “Buddy” Fletcher Jr. and a third Fletcher employee, Denis Kiely. They said their Fletcher Fixed Income Alpha Fund had produced a 10.3 percent annual return over a decade, outperforming a well-known Wall Street bond index by 3.8 percentage points. But the returns were theoretical, based on computer modeling; the Fletcher fund had yet to actually manage customer money.

One board member, Stephan MacDougall, then president of the Boston Carmen’s Union, Local 589, noted that Fletcher’s fees were high, according to the minutes.

Indeed, the Fletcher fund had by far the highest costs of the fixed-income investments being considered by the board: 2 percent annual fees, plus 20 percent of any gains, according to the records.

In response to MacDougall’s critique, Buddy Fletcher was unapologetic: You get what you pay for, he said.

During a meeting the next day, trustees raised other questions about Fletcher. Jonathan Davis, then the MBTA’s chief financial officer and a pension fund trustee, asked whether the investment fund really belonged under the pension’s core bond category, a relatively conservative grouping that included such stable investments as US Treasuries and corporate bonds.

The fund would have a one-year lockup, meaning that the MBTA pension fund couldn’t touch the money for a year, and only quarterly after that.

The pension fund’s outside consultant, Douglas Moseley of New England Pension Consultants, said Fletcher had a “capital preservation strategy,” using derivatives such as swaps and options to hedge against potential losses. “Their returns are consistent,” Moseley said, according to the minutes.

Globe, T retirement fund settle lawsuit over records

By Beth Healy
GLOBE STAFF

The Boston Globe has agreed to settle a 2014 lawsuit it brought to obtain records from the MBTA Retirement Fund relating to a \$25 million loss on a hedge fund investment, after the pension board produced 62 pages of documents under a new policy adopted in response to a state public disclosure law that takes effect Jan. 1.

As part of the settlement, the \$1.5 billion pension fund for transit workers said it will “voluntarily” respond to public record requests. But it reserved the right to challenge the new law, a sweeping update of legislation that, among other things, specifically says the rules apply to the MBTA pension board.

The Globe reserved the right to pursue public records from the board in the future, including by going back to court.

The settlement comes three years after the Globe first requested records concerning the MBTA pension fund’s loss with Fletcher Asset Management of New York. At the time the board decided to invest the money, April 2007, the pension system’s former executive director was working for Fletcher — and pitching the hedge fund to his former colleagues.

The pension fund in 2013 refused a request from the Globe for meeting minutes related to the board’s 2007 decision to approve the investment. It also denied the Globe’s request for minutes from 2011, when the board tried unsuccessfully to redeem \$10 million from Fletcher; from 2012, when Fletcher filed for bankruptcy protection; and from 2013, after the bankruptcy trustee alleged that the Fletcher hedge fund had been a fraud.

The MBTA fund, which was organized as a private trust, has argued that it is not subject to state public records or ethics laws. In a 1993 case, the state’s Supreme Judicial Court agreed. The board has since used that decision to justify keeping its meetings closed to the public. It does not make meeting minutes public, either, and is not required to follow standard ethics rules that apply to other pension funds for public employees — despite having received nearly \$500 million in taxpayer funding from 2006 through 2015.

The MBTA pension fund also had experience with the firm; a prior investment it made in another Fletcher fund had so far been profitable. New England Pension Consultants declined to comment for this article.

MacDougall urged prudence and said the board shouldn’t rush its decision. Janice Loux, then its chair, said the fees should be carefully vetted. Mulhern asked the board to give him a few weeks to talk to the various managers, and to do more research.

A month later, at the April 2007 meeting, Mulhern suggested that the board approve the Fletcher investment, “given his relationship with Karl White, the Board’s former relationship with Karl White, and the level of trust,” the minutes read, “because it boils down to a character issue and a focus on capital preservation with low volatility.”

The board voted yes, making it the first investor in the fund, and Mulhern was charged with trying to negotiate lower fees.

Minutes from the June 2007 meeting offer only one line of follow-up, with no details. “Negotiated contract,” they read.

In summer 2013, the Legislature passed a measure, signed by then-governor Deval Patrick, requiring the MBTA pension fund to comply with the public records law. The pension fund board voted 4 to 3 that the legislation did not apply to it.

In early 2014, the Globe twice appealed the T pension board’s decision to the state’s supervisor of records, Shawn Williams, who denied both requests. Williams said the 2013 measure was not specific enough.

The Globe filed a lawsuit against the pension board in May 2014 in Suffolk Superior Court. This past March, Judge Kenneth W. Salinger ruled that the board “does indeed receive public funds from the MBTA, and thus that the Board’s records are

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now subject to mandatory disclosure under the public records law.”

But the judge allowed the pension fund to continue to fight the case, and to present “constitutional” reasons why it should be allowed to maintain its privacy. Last month, the board instead approached the Globe about settling the matter.

The Globe agreed, to secure the Fletcher records without further delay.

The pension board, however, reserved the right to deny record requests in the future. The board said it would take the same position as the governor’s office regarding the law — meaning it plans to disclose records on a voluntary basis.

“The Legislature made it abundantly clear” that the law applies to the pension board, said Pam Wilnot, executive director of Common Cause Massachusetts, a nonprofit that supported the legislation. “If they don’t comply, then I’m sure they’ll be sued again.”

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reputation” — and “a pending \$10 million redemption request” by the pension fund to withdraw money from the Fletcher fund.

Mulhern said he was making the watch list recommendation “not due to performance but rather reputational risk.” The board voted to go along with his advice.

The following month, after updating the board on the status of the Fletcher investment, Mulhern asked for permission to “manage this matter in the best interest of the [MBTA] fund.”

By the board’s September meeting, the \$10 million withdrawal request had turned into a promissory note, according to the minutes. Mulhern said that after talking to people at Fletcher, as well as the fund administrator and auditor, he was “comfortable with Fletcher’s reported valuations,” but said the firm should remain on the watch list, and the \$10 million note should be monitored.

In July 2012, Mulhern told the board the Fletcher fund had filed for bankruptcy protection in New York.

Fletcher declined to comment on the newly released files.

According to the newly disclosed records, the pension fund took three consecutive write-downs on the Fletcher investment, resulting in a total loss by 2013. The fund lost not just the \$25 million, but the returns the money might have generated had it been invested differently over those five years.

As the investment deteriorated over the years, the board did not publicly acknowledge the problems, even in its annual reports. The 2012 report simply dropped Fletcher from a list of the fund’s investment firms.

The losses were not detailed in public financial records until the 2013 annual report — in December 2014.

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Chaos yields to contemplation, reinvigoration

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“Students are so much more anxious than they were when I first came here” 25 years ago, said Marybeth Kearns-Barrett, director of the chaplains’ office. Retreats — which the college now offers in a variety of themes and lengths — offer “the opportunity to step away, to experience the sense of being loved — because sometimes these anxieties are people grasping for something. There is nothing grounding them,” she said.

The experience can transform young lives, said Megan Fox-Kelly, director of retreats at the college. She still has a letter that her grandfather, Frank J. Kinney Jr., wrote to his mother after a retreat he made as a Holy Cross student in January 1929. His days in silence, he wrote, were “the three days of my life which, if it were possible, I would like most to live over again. . . . Many of the problems of my life have been solved.”

Jesuit retreat houses in Gloucester and Weston hosted the retreats until the opening this fall of the Thomas P. Joyce Contemplative Center, a 34,000-square-foot building set on 52 acres in West Boylston, a short ride from the school’s campus in Worcester. The new space — which cost \$22 million, \$18 million of which was raised through gifts — has allowed the college to create programs for alumni and faculty, too.

This past weekend’s 29-hour retreat was a bit of an experiment, designed to be a doorway in to Ignatian spirituality. The idea was to offer a quiet place for students to study and unwind during the term’s most stressful period and to reconnect with their sense of God’s calling for their lives. It was also meant to teach lifelong techniques for slowing down and focusing.

“When you’re stressed out, you don’t do your best work,” Kearns-Barrett said at the brief orientation.

As the students arrived in their hoodies and Uggs, they seemed stunned by their surroundings — slate floors, vaulted ceilings, spectacular views of the Wachusett Reservoir.



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Virginia Peck-Phillips (right) and Sarah Gullong took in the scenery until the cold ushered them back to the retreat.

“I’m going on every single retreat!” one student breathed.

Freshman Riley Benner, who handed out bundles of towels and sheets for students to take back to their rooms, said he was ready to start chipping away at three papers and studying for two exams.

“I get distracted pretty easily,” he said. “I figured this would be a good opportunity to get away.”

After an introductory gathering and prayer — Sarah Fontaine-Lipke, the retreat leader, urged the group to put their phones on airplane mode — they sat down to homemade calzones and fire-roasted vegetable soup. (The “eat” part of the retreat was no joke: The chef proudly displays a letter from a student who visited in October, thanking the staff for their “extraordinary cooking,” which she said helped her overcome her eating disorder.)

Each of the young men and women carried along a litany of stressors: Ameer Phillips, a senior Spanish major on a pre-business track, was thinking not just of the 35 pages due by

the week’s end but of post-graduation uncertainty. Vidya Madineedi, a freshman, had to write a sociology paper and prepare for exams in biology and psychology.

“We experienced finals in high school, but it’s nothing

‘Sometimes these anxieties are people grasping for something. There is nothing grounding them.’

MARYBETH KEARNS-BARRETT, director of retreats at the College of Holy Cross

like what we’re experiencing now, with papers, projects, presentations,” she said.

Social media only amplifies the stress, said her friend, D’Agostino.

A friend shared “something about how some school decided, we’re going to have a group cry. BYOT — bring your own

tissues,” she said, half-laughing. “Is that how I should feel?”

After lunch, some headed to a half-hour meditation class in the chapel, sitting on cushions before the floor-to-ceiling windows. Then, they settled in to study, write — or, in some cases, take an overdue nap.

The afternoon sun quickly faded, and a few students ventured into the frigid air outside, crunching over the snow-encrusted lawn. Others gathered in the chapel for a slow-flow yoga class as the sky turned from lavender to indigo, amplifying the glow of candles set around the room and the constellation of glittering softball-sized lights hanging from the ceiling. The lighting is a reference to the stars Ignatius contemplated on Roman rooftops 500 years ago.

Late in the evening, Fontaine-Lipke led an examen — a prayerful reflection on the day and a renewal of intentions for the next.

A few students woke early enough to watch the rising sun illuminate the mist over the reservoir. At morning prayer,

Fontaine-Lipke read a Gospel passage about Jesus retreating from the crowds to rest and talk to God.

“If Jesus needed time to recharge, so do you,” she said.

Then a breakfast of eggs, freshly baked muffins, and coffee.

“I was able to concentrate so well in my little room,” said Jaqueline Alvarez, a first-year student who spent some of her time preparing for a political science exam.

Later, as the light in the sky began to fade again, the students collected their books and clothes and gathered for a final moment together.

Each wrote a word or a phrase on a small card to remind them of their respite in the stressful days to come: “calm,” “peace,” “a good night’s sleep.”

“It was great,” said Phillips, as he prepared to board a bus back to campus. Speaking for pretty much everyone, he added with a smile: “It would be even better if it were two nights.”

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Lawyers clash at Cosby hearing

Use of defendant names contested

By Maryclaire Dale
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NORRISTOWN, Pa. — A judge admonished lawyers on both sides of Bill Cosby’s sexual assault case Tuesday after a courtroom shouting match over the defense team’s practice of publicizing the names of the women accusing the comedian of sexual assault.

Montgomery County Judge Steven O’Neill denounced the outburst as uncivil. It came at the start of what is expected to be a two-day hearing on whether prosecutors will be allowed to call 13 accusers as trial witnesses, a key part of their strategy to show the 79-year-old Cosby had a decades-long habit of drugging and molesting women.

Cosby’s lawyers want the accusers barred from testifying at his trial on charges that he sexually assaulted a woman at his suburban Philadelphia home in 2004. The defense was expected to attack their credibility and relevance as they try to keep them off the witness stand.

They encountered an early setback Tuesday when O’Neill refused to hear from one of their experts, Elizabeth Loftus, a psychologist who has questioned the reliability of eyewitness and witness memory. The judge said Loftus wouldn’t help him decide if the accusers can testify but added she might be allowed to take the stand at Cosby’s trial next year.

The high-stakes hearing was testy from the start, as District Attorney Kevin Steele clashed with Cosby lawyer Brian McMonagle over the defense’s insistence on identifying accusers by name in public documents and a court hearing.

Steele became enraged when McMonagle argued that prosecutors had provided him with the names of the accusers. Arguing that the names were disclosed during the pretrial discovery process and were not part of the public record, Steele suggested that Cosby’s lawyers were publicizing them in an attempt to intimidate the women.

McMonagle said many of them had already gone public with their allegations.

“These are witnesses in a trial. They are not children,” McMonagle argued.

O’Neill ultimately ruled Cosby’s lawyers could identify 11 of the women by name. He said two of the women have remained out of the spotlight and shouldn’t be identified in court.

The defense asserts they should be removed altogether from the case, which began a decade ago when Temple University employee Andrea Constand filed a police complaint against Cosby, her friend and mentor, over an encounter at his home. A prosecutor at the time declined to file charges.

But authorities reopened the case last year after scores of women raised similar accusations and after Cosby’s damaging deposition testimony from Constand’s lawsuit became public. The trial judge last week said the deposition was fair game at trial, arming prosecutors with Cosby’s testimony about his affairs with young women, his use of quaaludes as a seduction tool, and his version of the sexual encounter with Constand.

Cosby’s lawyers had hoped to question the women in person, but O’Neill rejected the idea.

Some of the women had friendships or romantic relationships with Cosby, while others had met him on a plane or at a casino. Some, like Constand, took pills knowingly — she thought it was an herbal drug; he later said it was Benadryl — while others believe he slipped something stronger in their drinks.

McMonagle has petitioned to ask each accuser as many as 80 questions as he tries to defend what he calls vague accusations that were never vetted at the time.

Marijuana will be legal, but rules on getting it are hazy

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one of the leaders of the successful referendum effort. “The gray zone is not ideal, but there’s really no other way around it.”

Borghesani said keeping that period as short as possible is one of the reasons lawmakers, who are thinking about delaying when stores can open, should leave the referendum unchanged.

Despite legalization, selling marijuana in Massachusetts outside of the regulated market will remain a crime punishable by up to two years of incarceration and up to a \$5,000 fine.

Colorado faced a similar, awkward transition period. Voters there legalized recreational marijuana in November 2012, but retail marijuana stores did not open until January 2014.

Chief John Jackson of the Greenwood Village, Colo., Police Department said the best words for that period were “disconcerting and confusing. It puts your law enforcement in this gray area with no clear guidance on what to do.”

And John Suthers, the attorney general of Colorado during the gray zone for that state, offered a more stark warning for Massachusetts: “It will be a mess for law enforcement.”

Suthers, a strong opponent of marijuana legalization efforts, said Massachusetts should expect a huge increase in black market activity as people ramp up home-growing operations to supply new consumers.

“People will grow it in their homes. They’ll sell it. That kind of small operation has never been a priority for law enforcement anyway,” Suthers said. “It certainly won’t be now.”

The new Massachusetts law



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Selling marijuana in Massachusetts outside of the regulated market will remain a crime punishable by up to two years of incarceration and up to a \$5,000 fine.

will allow for home-growing up to six plants per person, with a maximum of 12 per household.

“The nightmare for you is going to be the unenforceability of the limitation on 12 plants per house,” Suthers predicted. “And the danger is in this year’s period of time, a significant black market will arise that will be in competition with the stores when they come online.”

But Mason Tvert, a top national legalization proponent with the Marijuana Policy Project, said the fears of a huge new black market are simply not rooted in reality.

“It didn’t happen in Colorado, it didn’t in Washington, it didn’t in Alaska, it didn’t in Oregon,” he said, listing four legalization states.

He called the concern “the new version of reefer madness.”

Local Massachusetts law enforcement officials are beginning to grapple with the complexity of the strange new world that dawns Thursday.

Daniel Bennett, the state’s public safety secretary, is circulating a memo for law enforcement. His spokesman, Felix Browne, said the document outlines how the new law will change the way police carry out their duties, “and offers detailed guidance on issues affecting public safety in areas such as operating under the influence, the abuse and neglect of children, and offenses involving unlicensed distribution and trafficking of marijuana outside the regulated market that will be permitted under the new law.”

Jeremy Warnick, a spokesman for the Cambridge Police Department, said the city would enforce the laws on the books, but acknowledged the gray zone “does make it challenging.”

He said officers will receive an in-depth briefing on marijuana statutes with a city lawyer in coming weeks.

Lieutenant Detective Mike McCarthy of the Boston Police

Department emphasized selling marijuana will remain illegal.

“You cannot sell. So if you’re violating the law and you’re caught, you may be prosecuted,” he said.

The law, which is poised to be formally certified by the Governor’s Council Wednesday, does offer users other ways to procure marijuana.

Adam Fine, a Boston-based lawyer who was involved in drafting the ballot measure and is part of a high-powered firm that focuses on marijuana issues, pointed to part of the law that will allow giving away up to an ounce of marijuana without remuneration, as long as the transfer is not advertised publicly.

He said that language is meant to ensure a marijuana “social scene” is legal, just as it is with alcohol, and people can “share some small amounts of marijuana with friends in the privacy of their own home without being seen as drug dealers.”

So can residents throw a pot party Thursday night and offer guests joints and bong rips, just as they might offer them glasses of wine and tequila shots?

That will be legal under state law, Fine said, as long as guests are not paying cash or its equivalent for the marijuana.

But it’s important to note, he said, that the host of such a party could face civil liability for a guest who causes injury or property damage as a result of being under the influence of marijuana or alcohol.

And tokers can’t take pot parties to the street: Consuming marijuana in public will remain illegal, as will smoking weed anywhere where tobacco smoking is prohibited.

Another quandary: The law allows for home-growing starting Thursday. But, before retail stores open, it does not address how people can purchase goods to start a cannabis garden.

Transferring seeds or seedlings without remuneration will not be against the law. But selling marijuana outside the regulated market — even if it’s a live plant instead of the dry, smokable plant matter — will remain illegal.

“Very few plants are started from seeds, most plants are started from clones,” said pro-legalization lawyer Michael D. Cutler, referring to cuttings from a mature cannabis plant that are used to grow new ones. Starting Thursday, receiving clones is perfectly legal, but selling them for money still won’t be, he said.

Also illegal, Cutler said: medical marijuana patients transferring pot to other people.

To be sure, Massachusetts has been in a different version of a legal gray zone since 2008, when voters decriminalized marijuana, replacing the criminal penalties for possession of 1 ounce or less with a new system of civil penalties.

And then there’s the biggest legal gray zone of all. Even as voters in eight states and the District of Columbia have legalized the drug, marijuana remains strictly forbidden under federal law, classified in the same category as ecstasy, LSD, and heroin.

Many in the marijuana industry worry that the Trump administration will crack down on commercial pot operations, undoing what they see as years of progress.

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Allston I-90 plan: better, but still needs transit

THE STATE'S plans for replacing the crumbling Massachusetts Turnpike viaduct and interchange in Allston are coming into focus, and it's a mixed picture for the neighborhood. There's plenty more studying and analyzing to do before construction begins, but it's already clear that the state will need some prodding from elected officials to make good on the project's transformative potential. The state could help re-connect Allston with the rest of the city and smooth transit in the area — or it could miss a historic opportunity.

Some aspects of the new proposals, presented to the Allston community at a meeting last week, mark definite improvements. In particular, MassDOT now envisions new parkland along the Charles River, a patch of open space dubbed the Allston Esplanade. The state has also incorporated some recommendations from the Boston Planning and Development Agency (the former BRA) and adjusted some of the street configurations. The project, which involves straightening the Pike and freeing up land for development, should create a whole new neighborhood out of what is now a spaghetti bowl of highway ramps and unused railroad tracks. The BPDA's place-making recommendations were aimed at ensuring that the new neighborhood would be a vibrant, mixed-use area, and MassDOT listened.

Missing, though, was a firm commitment to construct a commuter rail station at the southern edge of the parcel, where it would serve both the Boston University campus and the newly created neighborhood. Officials also cast doubt on community hopes that the project would result in improvements to bus service in Allston. The unreliable 66 bus, the main MBTA route connecting Allston with the rest of the city, follows a slow and circuitous course across the Pike. A direct north-south connection from Allston, over the Pike and toward the Longwood Medical Area, would speed transportation for nurses or researchers who live in Allston and work at Longwood; it would also make the new neighborhood a more attractive place to live. Cycling advocates are hoping for a "People's Pike," a dedicated bikeway that would connect to the trails along the river.

The state, understandably, is growing impatient. In an interview with the Globe editorial board on Tuesday, Transportation Secretary Stephanie Pollack said she regularly gets warnings about the state of the existing viaduct, whose deteriorating condition was the whole reason for the project in the first place. Considering the importance of the Pike to the state's overall economic health, it's no wonder that officials want to move the planning process along. The state still needs to analyze three options for the area near where the Pike passes underneath Commonwealth Avenue, where the Pike, Soldier's Field Road, and two rail lines all squeeze through a narrow throat of land.

But decisions over the next few years will shape Allston for decades, and MassDOT needs to get this right. The agency is moving in the right direction in its Allston plans, but it won't be done until the needed transit improvements are included in the plan — and funded.

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Trump's master in Moscow

Trump's mendacity, misdirection, and disregard for the rule of law.

While Senate majority leader Mitch McConnell said he supports investigations into possible Russian cyberattacks, he doesn't believe the matter warrants a special select committee — like the one that spent years investigating Clinton and her role in the Benghazi tragedy. (Now that Clinton, the partisan committee's main target, has been vanquished, it has been quietly disbanded. It achieved nothing beyond knee-capping Clinton during her presidential run.) For those in the GOP still undecided, perhaps they should pretend that foreign cyberattacks tried to grease the wheels to the White House for Clinton. And helped her set up her private e-mail server. In Benghazi.

This is also a moment of truth for Democrats, who need to stop bringing paper knives to gunfights. Stop pretending there is common ground to be found with Trump, who will huff, belittle, and bully Democrats demanding answers about his unsavory ties to Russia. He'll dash off exclamation point-laden 3 a.m. tweetstorms. With so much at stake, those Twitter tantrums can't matter. The Democrats' only concern must be uncovering the truth about what happened during the 2016 campaign.

So far, public outrage about the CIA's findings has been alarmingly muted. In

Trump is too vain to recognize that he's nothing more than the easily manipulated means to Putin's nefarious ends.

many ways, this is a matter too important to be left only to politicians. Ordinary citizens must agitate and pressure their representatives to conduct a full, thorough, bipartisan investigation. They must text, tweet, and take to the streets, if necessary. This is not business as usual. This is nothing less than a referendum on American resolve in the face of an unparalleled crisis.

Trump's presidency has yet to begin, but is already proving more problematic than his skeptics could have imagined. In five weeks, an oligarch-in-chief aspirant will become the 45th president of the United States. If we opt for inaction now, how quickly will Trump dangerously compromise this nation to appease his master in Moscow?

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Drama at the parking meter

WOULDNT IT be wacky if the cost of driving went down and up when market conditions change? Oh, wait, it already does: New vehicles get more expensive as automakers lure buyers with new features. After plunging for years, amid a global oil glut, the cost of gasoline is rising again.

People take that in stride. But for some reason, we view free or low-cost parking as a human right, and we're all shocked when the City of Boston asks drivers to pay extra for curbside spaces in jam-packed areas.

Recently, Mayor Martin Walsh announced plans to hike parking meter rates from \$1.25 an hour to \$3.75 in the congested Back Bay and impose varying rates of up to \$4 an hour in the Seaport District. The move provoked some drama, as a Globe story showed: "Nickel-and-dime commuters," City Councilor Michael Flaherty called it. Vicki Smith, the chairwoman of the Neighborhood Association of the Back Bay, said her group was "blindsided" by the move. "I think I need to move to a different state," a motorist on Newbury Street told a reporter.

Relax. Moving lots of people and stuff in and out of congested spaces is a fundamental challenge in cities. Parking meters allow motorists to take turns using scarce curbside spaces, and should cost enough that there are vacancies on every block.

If there's a problem with Walsh's experiment with higher rates, it's that he didn't jack them up enough.

Parking meters in Boston are a bargain at \$1.25 an hour. That's close enough to free that motorists with other transportation options have no incentive to leave their cars at home, or at least park

in private garages. Before Boston adopted the current rate in 2011, the city had charged curbside parkers \$1 an hour for the previous 30 years.

By comparison, MBTA subway fares rose from 60 cents in 1982 to \$2.25 today. Had meters merely kept up with inflation since 1981, they'd cost \$2.66 an hour citywide. But even in the Boston area, government treats individually owned automobiles as the default mode of transportation — and transit riders as a special-interest group.

In these fraught times, drivers' objections to paying \$2.50 more to park can take on puffed-up ideological overtones. To liberals, higher rates at Back Bay parking meters mean that only the rich will be able to park near Patagonia or Valentino. In the Tea Party version of the story, higher park-

ing rates are yet another money grab by the government.

Both attitudes, by the way, contribute to a broader squeeze on government's ability to function. In the last few decades, people have grown accustomed to paying \$4.50 for coffee instead of 50 cents. To insist that \$1.25-an-hour meter rates are sacrosanct is to deny the city the ability to manage its transportation network.

Not everyone is insisting on the status quo, of course. Walsh's move has sparked spirited debate on BostonGlobe.com and Universal Hub; in both places, plenty of readers saw the upside: more available spaces, less double-parking, less congestion and vehicle exhaust.

If anything, Walsh should go further and expand demand-based meter rates elsewhere in Boston. Parking in the heart of a city can't be both cheap and plentiful. Being able to put our cars wherever we want for however long we want isn't the natural condition of humanity.

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JEFF JACOBY

Why China fears the beauty queen

TWO YEARS ago, the Miss World pageant announced an end to the swimsuit competition that had long been a mainstay of the annual extravaganza. Miss World's chairman, Julia Morley, explained at the time that the decision reflected the organization's great respect for the contestants' minds.

"I don't need to see women just walking up and down in bikinis," Morley said in an interview with Elle. "I

don't care if someone has a bottom two inches bigger than someone else's. We are really not looking at her bottom. We are really listening to her speak."

The words were admirable. The reality is rather different.

Just ask Anastasia Lin.

In a column 10 days ago, I wrote about Lin, a Chinese-

Canadian actress who is also the reigning Miss World Canada. For the second consecutive year, Lin has been named to represent her country in the pageant final — a platform she sought to raise global awareness of a cause that touches her deeply: China's merciless persecution of prisoners of conscience.

The Chinese government barred Lin from competing in the 2015 Miss World pageant final, which was held in the resort city of Sanya, on China's Hainan island. But the heavy-handed attempt to deny Lin a world stage

backfired spectacularly. The media were captivated by the charismatic Canadian who spoke so feelingly about the suffering of China's prisoners of conscience. She was offered opportunities to speak about human rights in China in many venues, including the Oxford Union, Washington's National Press Club, and the Oslo Freedom Forum.

Still, her overriding goal remained the stage of the Miss World pageant, which draws an international television audience of more than 1 billion viewers. And with the Miss World final being broadcast this year from Washington, on Dec. 18, Lin expected no impediment to her ability to speak freely about repression in China.

But the Miss World Organization, it appears, has no intention of allowing Lin to say anything that China's government finds objectionable.

I called Lin in Toronto a month ago, proposing that I meet her in Washington for an interview during the contestants' three-week stay there. She readily agreed, asking only that I arrange the interview through official Miss World channels, as the pageant's detailed regulations specify. My repeated requests to Miss World, however, went unacknowledged. Morley may claim that "really listening to her speak" is what Miss World wants for each contestant. Yet for weeks the organization stonewalled numerous inquiries from news organizations wanting to listen to Lin.

I went to Washington anyway and approached Lin in the lobby of her hotel. She agreed to talk for a few minutes, but only on the condition that we sit in the lobby, openly, hiding nothing from anyone.

"I'm trying to play by the book," she said. She couldn't imagine that pageant officials would want to keep her

from advancing her purpose: freedom and dignity for Chinese prisoners of conscience. "I don't care about all this — the hair, the dresses," she said. "I just want to get to that stage and be the voice for people who are silenced."

Moments later, it was Lin who was silenced. A Miss World employee saw us talking, and demanded an explanation. I began to answer, but Lin cut me off with the unvarnished truth: "This is a writer from The Boston Globe who came down to Washington to talk to me." The employee instantly called in reinforcements. Soon there were three officials. Two of them hustled Lin from the lobby, angrily accusing her of breaching the rules and causing trouble. The third blocked me from talking to Lin and assured me that my interview would be scheduled the next day. It wasn't, of course.

The Miss World contest has deep ties to China. Since 2003, the pageant has been hosted in Sanya six times. Miss World has collected millions of dollars in license fees paid by the Chinese municipality, and reaps millions more from its lucrative broadcast contracts. According to the Miss World website, the 2016 pageant's "Sponsors and Partners" are all affiliates of a Chinese company.

"Miss World's finances have always been something of a mystery," Richard Macauley and Heather Timmons reported in Quartz last year. What isn't a mystery is that a lot of its money comes from China — and Chinese money talks. "Beauty with a Purpose" is a noble mission. But that mission has a way of being aborted when a Miss World contestant is at odds with Beijing. Even in Washington.

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INBOX

Fear in the courtroom for young abuse victims

Offenders should not have right to terrorize young witnesses

THE COURTS' rulings in regard to juvenile victims are unconscionable ("Prosecutors seek relief for young witnesses," Page A1, Dec. 8). According to the state courts' interpretation of the Massachusetts Constitution, no matter how horrific the crimes against these children are, pedophiles and child abusers have the right to terrorize and intimidate their young victims by staring into their eyes as these traumatized children sit 20 feet away from them. Because of this, many pedophiles and child abusers go free.

If this is a constitutional right here in Massachusetts, then it is past time that the state Constitution is amended to guarantee child victims and victims of all crimes their own enforceable rights within the criminal justice system.

Almost 40 other states provide a constitutional right to crime victims. These rights ensure that victims are treated with respect and dignity, including reasonable accommodations when testifying. Massachusetts needs to follow these other states in recognizing that crime victims, especially children, should have the right to be protected from their offenders.

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Young victims in Mass. should be able to testify by closed-circuit TV

THIRTY YEARS ago I worked for Elizabeth Holtzman when she was district attorney in Brooklyn, N.Y. Among her many successes as an effective criminal prosecutor was successfully advocating for young victims of violent crimes of sexual abuse to testify by closed-circuit television. The bill protected the right of defendants to be face-to-face with their accusers, since the testimony was live. The victim, often a young child already traumatized by sexual abuse, could be in a setting that did not retraumatize, and without a multitude of strangers present.

I was stunned to learn in the Globe article "Prosecutors seek relief for young witnesses" that Massachusetts has yet to adopt such procedures. Especially now, when e-mail signatures are considered valid, videoconferencing is used routinely, and the availability and acceptance of video is ubiquitous, our state procedures must change.

When so many other states have decided that closed-circuit TV preserves defendants' rights, how can our own courts defend the status quo, which hurts our most vulnerable victims?

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Exploitation of women should be a deal-breaker in considering Labor pick

RE "WOMEN attack nominee to lead Labor" (Page A1, Dec. 10): I am pleased that Democrats expressed concerns about Andrew Puzder's opposition to increasing the minimum wage and his support for replacing workers with machines. However, I was deeply disappointed to learn that "Democratic politicians steered clear of the discussion of Puzder's marketing tactics."

Puzder, Donald Trump's nominee for labor secretary, has promoted his fast-food restaurants by exploiting nearly naked women in video advertisements, many of which have been described as pornographic. Democratic politicians should join women's organizations in voicing disgust at Puzder's business practices and at the acceptance of exploitation that would occur if he were to become labor secretary.

I often remember how, in 1995, Aaron Feuerstein, CEO of Malden Mills, continued to pay 3,000 employees while rebuilding his factory after a devastating fire. Not only did Feuerstein's employees benefit from his generosity, but the entire community beamed as we observed a local business owner acting with integrity and setting an example for others.

In contrast, Puzder's practice of exploiting female models for profit hurts all women. Standing up against this nominee for his disrespect toward half the population would hardly be pandering to a special interest; I expect our Democratic delegation to be leading the charge.

AMY HALZEL WILLIS
Needham

Great respect for those who serve, not for those who foolishly send them to war

REGARDING KEVIN Cullen's column on General John Kelly, President-elect Trump's choice for secretary of homeland security ("He knows our enemies and the cost of war," Metro, Dec. 8): I agree that the general is an honorable, distinguished, and professional Marine. And he reflects great credit on UMass Boston as a proud product of that embattled institution of public higher education. No doubt he will make an excellent secretary of homeland security.

But, without necessarily defending the "cynical," "chattering classes" Kelly mentions derisively in his speech (quoted at length, with obvious approval, by Cullen), I must take exception to Kelly's and Cullen's insistence that one cannot separate honor and gratitude for the warriors from unqualified support for our country's wars. Have we not learned from the debacle of Vietnam and the disaster of invading Iraq that the jingoistic cliché "my country, right or wrong" often leads to misery and defeat?

As a veteran myself and the proud father of a Marine veteran of the 1990-91 Gulf War, I have nothing but respect for those who serve our country, including General Kelly, but not so much for those who through hubris or stupidity, or worse, send them off to war.

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For the second year, Lin has been named to represent her country in the Miss World final.

Fracking report has few answers

Effects on water remain unknown

By Matthew Daly
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Is hydraulic fracturing safe, as the oil and gas industry claims? Or does the controversial drilling technique known as fracking contaminate drinking water, as environmental groups and other critics charge?

After six years and more than the \$29 million, the Environmental Protection Agency says it doesn't know. A new report issued Tuesday said that fracking poses a risk to drinking water in some circumstances, but that a lack of information precludes a definitive statement on how severe the risk is.

"Because of the significant data gaps and uncertainties in the available data, it was not possible to fully characterize the severity of impacts, nor was it possible to calculate or estimate the national frequency of impacts on drinking water re-



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A six-year EPA study on the drilling technique was unable to determine how much risk it poses to ground water.

sources" from fracking activities, the EPA said in the report.

The report removes a finding from a draft issued last year indicating that fracking has not caused "widespread, systemic" harm to drinking water in the United States. Industry groups had hailed the draft EPA study as proof that fracking is safe, while environmentalists seized on the report's identification of cases where fracking-related activities polluted drinking water.

Fracking involves pumping huge volumes of water, sand, and chemicals underground to split open rock formations so that oil and gas will flow. The practice has spurred a domestic energy boom but has raised concerns that it might lead to ground-water contamination, increased air pollution, and even earthquakes.

Environmentalists cheered the report as proof that fracking threatens drinking water, while

industry groups complained the Obama administration had yielded to political pressure on its way out the door.

"We are glad EPA resisted oil and gas industry spin, followed the science, and delivered the facts," said John Noel of Clean Water Action, an advocacy group.

An oil industry spokesman called the report an absurd reversal that changes a science-based conclusion to one based in political ambiguity just weeks before President Obama leaves office.

"The agency has walked away from nearly a thousand sources of information from technical reports and peer-reviewed scientific reports demonstrating that . . . hydraulic fracturing does not lead to widespread systemic impacts to drinking water resources," said Erik Milito of the American Petroleum Institute.

Oil pipeline leaks near protest in N.D.

By Derek Hawkins
WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON — A ruptured pipeline has spilled more than 176,000 gallons of crude oil into a hillside and a Little Missouri River tributary about 150 miles west of Cannon Ball, N.D., where thousands of activists have spent months fighting construction of the Dakota Access oil pipeline, state officials said Monday.

A segment of the Belle Fourche Pipeline near Belfield,

N.D., began leaking earlier this month, contaminating nearly 6 miles of the Ash Coulee Creek before cleanup workers contained it, Bill Suess, an environmental scientist from the North Dakota Department of Health, told the Associated Press. An estimated 130,200 gallons of oil spilled into the creek and another 46,200 gallons leaked onto a hillside, Suess told Forum News Service.

The spill dirtied private and federal land along the water-

way, but no drinking water sources were affected, Suess said. About 37,000 gallons of oil have been recovered so far, he said.

The incident stirred fears among opponents of the Dakota Access pipeline about what could happen if project developer Energy Transfer Partners builds a segment of pipe under a Missouri River reservoir that provides drinking water to the Standing Rock Indian Reservation.

Teachers union head plans to retire

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tions of the union's more than 5,000 members.

"He stuck to his guns, but he was fair," said former superintendent Michael Contompasis, who negotiated teacher contracts on the opposite side of the table as Stutman a decade ago. "He was trying to move the district forward, while also making sure the welfare of union members was protected and supported. He did what he had to do in leading that union."

To some, he could come across somewhat as an obstructionist, as he fought efforts to extend the school day — unless it included additional compensation for teachers — or merit pay for teachers that is linked to student test scores. Average teacher pay in Boston exceeds \$90,000.

Stutman's retirement comes at a precarious time for the union and the school system, which have been in protracted negotiations to replace a contract that expired in August. Stutman, who says he hopes talks will conclude before he departs, couldn't resist taking a job at the school system in his news bulletin Tuesday, blaming school-district leadership for the failure to reach an agreement.

"The school district does not want to settle the contract quickly, and the two days of negotiations we scheduled at the end of November have done nothing to change that opinion," Stutman wrote.

In an interview, Stutman, 65, said his decision to step down was not easy, but felt the time was right. He is married to a retired Boston school teacher, Nancy, and together they raised a daughter, now 24.

He said he is disappointed about how teachers are often held in such low esteem.

"Teachers have gone from revered members of the community to primary scapegoats for a movement that wishes to privatize public education and people who wish to capitalize on that movement," said Stutman, noting the shift began in the 1990s. "The reality is that a lot

of problems in schools are caused by poverty gaps, nutrition gaps, and health care gaps." Many observers said Stutman's institutional memory of the school system will be sorely missed after a long line of senior employees have departed in recent years.

Mayor Martin J. Walsh said that Stutman "deserves a very relaxing and happy retirement" after spending three decades "standing up for our hardworking teachers."

"Even though we didn't always agree, his heart was always in the right place and he wanted the very best for our teachers and students," Walsh said in a statement. Superintendent Tommy Chang echoed that sentiment: "He is a true public servant and advocate for teachers and schools. His presence will be missed."

Stutman's roots in Boston's school system stretch back more than a half-century. He started as a kindergarten student at the Lyndon School in 1955 and graduated from Boston Latin School 13 years later.

He returned to the system after college as a substitute teacher in 1972 and a year later landed a job as a math teacher at the Theodore Roosevelt Middle School in Roxbury, where he developed his passion for protecting teachers and students from injustices.

His assignment there came one year before Judge W. Arthur Garrity Jr. issued his desegregation order, and the Roosevelt was one of those schools "that was poorly treated by the district," Stutman said. Most of the students were black or Latino and the school didn't even have a full-time principal.

"I learned a lot about improving schools there and I learned that teachers were the best advocates for children," Stutman said. "I never saw teacher rights as an impediment."

In all Stutman spent 11 years in the classroom before becoming a full-time field representative for the union in the 1980s. He won election as union president in 2003 in an

uncontested race.

He famously clashed with former Mayor Thomas M. Menino as well as school superintendents over the expansion of pilot schools, which operate with flexibility from union contract rules and are similar to charter schools.

Menino's frustration caused him to support legislation that allowed for the doubling of charter school seats in Boston and other low-performing districts and also gave principals in underperforming schools the right to shake up teaching staffs.

Boston now has 16 charter schools and 21 pilot schools. The city has also seen a drop in overall enrollment, and faces the possibility of closing under-enrolled schools.

Michael Maguire, a member of the union's executive board, said Stutman has placed a premium on transparency with the union's members and hears out anyone with a criticism.

"He doesn't act like a king or a dictator; he's the guy who manages the office so I can teach," said Maguire, who teaches Latin at Boston Latin Academy.

Through the years, Stutman never lost his connection to students. When the Boston Student Advisory Council launched an effort a few years ago to create student feedback forms on teacher performance, Stutman didn't wave them off or block the effort, even though it was a sticky situation for students to ask to weigh in on teacher evaluations.

Instead, Stutman repeatedly met with them and went over the revisions with a teacher's touch asking them first about what they didn't think worked before he weighed in with his opinion, said Gloria Wornum, a recent Kennedy Academy for Health Careers graduate who was among the student leaders.

"He was always so compassionate with his words and had a heart for youth," Wornum said. "He was very good at challenging our mind-set."

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THOMAS FARRAGHER

The home we made



CLINTON — The place was small and his family was big — and getting bigger — so I used to wonder what attracted my father to the little gray stucco house on Pearl Street here.

We had lived in a big old drafty house around the corner. So maybe the prospect of a slimmer heating bill alone was enough for him — a mailman who fretted over the monthly bills at the kitchen table — to buy the place for what then seemed like a king's ransom. And so, half a century ago, we moved in and called it home.

We still do. Even though all of us have since married, had kids, and have our own homes. We're anchored here.

One upstairs bedroom for all the boys. Another one for the girls. One closet-like bathroom, which required diplomacy, surgically precise scheduling, patience, and uncommonly strong bladders.

We'll gather there next week for our last Christmas Eve at the family homestead. There will be mountains of food. My brother will preside over an endless Yankee swap. There will be cold beer outside on the front porch. And memories will sweep over us.

Like these:

- My mother carrying my newborn sister through the front door. She was swaddled in a pink blanket and passed around to her older brothers and sisters. My parents had nine kids. She was the sixth and the first baby at the "new house." She arrived the day after Christmas in 1962, and we all thought "Carol" was the perfect name.

- My father coming home from his mail route, whistling as he approached the back door, never failing to use his left palm to give the electric meter on the side of the house a not-so-gentle poke, hoping to knock it out of commission and save a few bucks.

- Arriving on our doorstep after grammar school one autumn afternoon to find my mom cradling my 6-week-old brother Stephen in her arms. With tears in her eyes, she asked me to run for the nurse who lived next door. Stephen had died of sudden infant death syndrome, or SIDS, by far our home's darkest hour.

- Standing half-dressed in the kitchen with my brother Jimmy on the morning of his wedding, happily shooting the breeze like we had all our lives. My job as his best man was to get him to the church on time. His bride, a girl from the neighborhood, beat us there. Luckily, she's a forgiving friend.

- My mother holding court in the snug kitchen she always wanted to — but never did — expand, drinking bottomless cups of tea into which she spooned enough sugar to keep Domino in business.

- My sisters on the mornings of their weddings, their hair done up, their make-up perfect, looking more beautiful than I'd ever seen them — ready to take my father's arm for the walk down the aisle.

- The delight in my parents' eyes when their first grandchild danced atop the living room table — a delight that never dimmed when 17 more of their children's children came to make themselves right at home on Pearl Street.

- The mortgage we burned in a coffee can in 2003, when my parents' original \$13,500 note was finally paid off. They'd worn a path to the local bank's loan office, borrowing against it for years to pay for college tuitions, home repairs, and the bundle of bills to support their kids.

Just before midnight on Christmas Eve someone — perhaps it will be me — will propose a toast to the memory of our parents on our last Christmas in the old house where they raised us.

That house will be gone soon. Someone else will pay the heating bill and shovel the snow and play basketball at the backyard hoop my dad put up a lifetime of summers ago.

My youngest sister cannot talk about it without tears spilling down her cheek. It's just a house, I tell her.

As much as we loved that tiny place, it isn't our most treasured inheritance. The family my parents built there is. And that's not going anywhere.

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Romney's odd courtship with Trump ends

Observers wonder if interest was out of patriotism or lure of power

By Michael Levenson
GLOBE STAFF

Did Mitt Romney just get played by the king of reality TV? And why did the former Massachusetts governor subject himself to a very public vetting by a man he had so thoroughly denounced? Because he's a patriot? Or a flip-flopper who can't resist the lure of power?

The political class was wrestling again with these questions on Tuesday, after President-elect Donald Trump announced that he had passed over Romney for the job of secretary of state and would instead nominate Rex W. Tillerson, the chief executive of ExxonMobil.

The announcement marked the end of a bizarre courtship and another rejection for Romney, who lost two campaigns for president and seemed to have set aside irreconcilable differences in pursuit of a Cabinet position with a man he had denounced as a "fraud" and a "phony."

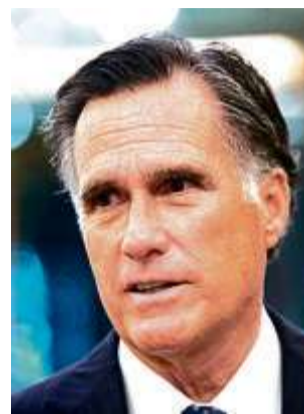
In hindsight, some said that the famously thin-skinned Trump never truly intended to install Romney and form a "team of rivals." Trump, after all, has counseled would-be acolytes in the business world that "when someone crosses you, my advice is 'Get even!'"

"It's hard to believe that Trump ever

seriously considered him for the position, and it's not hard to believe at all that Trump was simply interested in trying to humiliate Romney in public," said Dan Schnur, a former aide to Arizona Republican Senator John McCain, who is now director of the Jesse M. Unruh Institute of Politics at the University of Southern California. "But Mitt Romney is a very smart person and it's unlikely that he was at all surprised by what the process turned out to be."

Romney confidants say they still believe Trump and Vice President-elect Mike Pence were genuinely vetting

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Mitt Romney's interest in the secretary of state post raised questions.



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Nancy Tutunjian left the federal courthouse in Boston on Tuesday with Edward J. Tutunjian, who was sentenced to spend 18 months in a halfway house, and to pay for the cost of his confinement.

Owner of cab firm to serve 18 months

US judge sentences Tutunjian to term in halfway house

By Jonathan Saltzman
GLOBE STAFF

Multimillionaire Edward J. Tutunjian, once the biggest tycoon in Boston's taxi industry, was sentenced Tuesday to serve 18 months in a Boston halfway house and to pay for his stay.

US District Court Judge Douglas P. Woodlock imposed the sentence after Tutunjian admitted he had committed federal crimes, including payroll tax evasion, failing to pay overtime to employees, hiring illegal immigrants, and helping workers get federal housing subsidies for which they didn't qualify.

"It is painful to acknowledge that I have been dishonest to our government and to other taxpayers, but that is what I have done," a tearful Tutunjian, owner of Boston Cab for four decades and

'It is painful to acknowledge that I have been dishonest to our government and to other taxpayers, but that is what I have done.'

EDWARD TUTUNJIAN, once the biggest tycoon in Boston's taxi industry

the focus of a 2013 Spotlight Team series, told Woodlock. "I know I have done wrong and accept your decision with humility."

US Attorney Carmen Ortiz's office had recommended a two-year federal prison sentence, but Woodlock said he was concerned that Tutunjian's diabetes, although under control with medication, might worsen in prison. The judge also credited dozens of letters from Tutunjian supporters who said he was a fundamentally decent man who made bad mistakes.

Instead, Woodlock sentenced him to 18 months at Coolidge House, a 120-bed "community correctional facility" on Huntington Avenue, and ordered him to pay for his stay. The cost to house an individual at Coolidge is

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Ban on plastic bags faces pushback

City official says mayor will not support it now

By Meghan E. Irons
GLOBE STAFF

A Boston City Council proposal that aims to banish single-use plastic bags at the checkout line ran into a major snag Tuesday, after a top city environmental official said Mayor Martin J. Walsh's administration will not support the measure at this time.

The measure seeks a 5-cent fee per bag, as well as thicker bags at supermarkets, pharmacies, and corner stores.

But Boston's environmental commissioner, Carl Spector, testifying at the final bag ordinance hearing this year, said the city is already actively engaged in efforts to reduce the amount of plastic in the environment. The city is also participating in a study with eight other North American cities to explore how to reduce plastic from the waste stream, he added.

"As you can see, the administration is already taking action and encouraging action to reduce the prevalence of single-use plastic bags," Spector said, adding that the study's findings are expected in May. "However, at this time we do not support the proposed ordinance."

Spector said Boston officials are concerned about the impact the council's proposal could have on lower-income households and smaller stores. The council is not expected to vote on the bag measure Wednesday, the final session of the year.

Councilor Matt O'Malley, who cosponsored the measure with the council president, Michelle Wu, said it was disconcerting to hear Spector's comments. He cited data from San Jose, Calif., showing how that city used a similar measure to reduce plastic bags in its storm drain system, rivers, and streets.

"I really think it's shortsighted to not support or potentially veto a

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COLD GEAR — Scarves were hung from a Boston Public Garden tree earlier this week for people in need to take. One more day of seasonable weather was expected Wednesday before an arctic air mass races into the area for Thursday and Friday. Full report, B9.

Flu shot rate falls short of goals for health staff

By Felice J. Freyer
GLOBE STAFF

The number of health care workers in Massachusetts nursing homes and clinics vaccinated against the flu during the 2015-16 season fell far short of the national goal of 90 percent, even as it rose slightly above previous years.

That's the news from a Massachusetts Department of Public Health report released Tuesday on flu vaccination rates at clinics, nursing homes, rest homes, and adult day health centers, where roughly two-thirds to three-quarters of workers were vaccinated.

At hospitals, where intense efforts to vaccinate workers have been underway for years, the record was better — 92 percent overall, the same as the previous year and close to the national estimate of 91.2 percent.

Health authorities, nationally and locally, have focused on getting health care workers vaccinated because they can spread influenza to people who are al-

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73% of nursing home workers were vaccinated against the flu in the 2015-16 flu season.

66% of health clinic workers were vaccinated against the flu.

90% is the national goal for medical workers to be vaccinated.

The Metro Minute

GET SMART



DEBEE TLUMACKI FOR THE BOSTON GLOBE

Inside the red kettle

By Jacey Fortin
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

The Salvation Army has dispatched about 400 red kettles and many more bell ringers across Massachusetts this year, with hopes of raising \$3.5 million from these small seasonal donations.

The kettles see about six weeks of action annually, starting around Veterans Day and continuing through Christmas Eve, according to a Salvation Army spokesperson. To help raise publicity for the collection efforts, Mayor Martin J. Walsh manned a red kettle for an hour Tuesday at Downtown Crossing.

But the Salvation Army wasn't always known for such friendly (or well-known) bell-ringers. When the organization first took shape in England more than 150 years ago, it stood out for its odd marriage of missionary zeal and military ethos.

During the 1860s, evangelist William Booth decided that army-style discipline would be the key to reaching and serving London's poorest citizens. His Salvation Army recruited thousands of volunteers in England before branching out to the United States in 1880. When eight members landed in New York City in March of that year, The New York Times described them as "fresh, strong-looking young persons," who "created quite a sensation" in their dark-blue uniforms and were prepared to "preach in the streets to whoever would listen."

It took more than 10 years for the organization to begin using kettles to collect donations. The idea came from Salvation Army Captain Joseph McPhee in 1891, who wanted to raise money for a Christmas feast for the poor in San Francisco. The practice was implemented in Boston in 1897.

Today, these small holiday contributions make up about 10 percent of the Massachusetts division's annual operating costs. The rest of its funds come from individual and corporate donations, private grants, and some federal money.

According to its annual financial reports, the Massachusetts division spends most of its revenue on 32 community centers, four adult rehabilitation centers, emergency services after natural disasters, childcare for needy families, and other social services.

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BY THE NUMBERS

14%

The decline in Massachusetts' funding for public higher education since fiscal 2001, after adjusting for inflation, according to a new report by the Massachusetts Budget and Policy Center, an independent nonprofit organization. The report also found that average debt for students attending the state's public colleges and universities during that period rose from \$19,000 to \$29,000, or 55 percent when adjusted for inflation.

QUOTE OF THE DAY

'We are concerned that social media surveillance software will be unfairly focused on people of color, Muslims, and dissidents—if not today, then under future mayors and different police commissioners.'

Part of a letter from the American Civil Liberties Union of Massachusetts and other groups raising questions about the city's plan to spend up to \$1.4 million on new software that will scan social media and the Internet for criminal activity and threats to public safety.



ARAM BOGHOSIAN FOR THE BOSTON GLOBE/FILE 2015

In this 2015 photo, a student got a kiss from Cambridge Officer Peter Neal's K-9, Rumba, a dog trained to detect explosives.

Retirement may split up partners

By Olivia Quintana
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For three years, Officer Peter Neal and his K9 partner, Rumba, have teamed up to keep Cambridge safe.

Now, with Neal planning to retire next month after 30 years on the police force, Neal wants the yellow lab — who is trained to detect explosives — to prop up his paws and retire with him.

The Cambridge Police Department, however, says Rumba, who is 4 years old, still has many working days ahead of him.

Neal's family has taken their request public, posting a change.org petition recently that asks the department to keep Rumba and his handler together.

They hope public support will help sway the department.

Neal and Rumba "have spent almost everyday together for the past three years and have created a special bond with one another," the petition said. "It is truly something you have to see to believe. The connections that exist between canines and their handlers are unique, and they should not be broken."

By Tuesday afternoon, 1,180 people had signed the petition. The family declined to comment.

Jeremy Warnick, spokesman for Cambridge police, said it is department protocol for a police dog to be transferred to a different handler if the dog is still able to serve.

"It is understandable that this may be a difficult transition for an officer, who likely has formed a unique relationship and bond on and off the job with their assigned explosive detection canine," Warnick said.

The petition said other police departments frequently allow retiring officers to purchase their furry companions, sometimes for as little as \$1. A spokesman said the Boston Police Department does not have a policy for adopting canine partners upon an officer's retirement.

Warnick said Rumba, one of Cambridge's five explosives-detection dogs, underwent extensive training.

"Rumba and two of our other explosive detection canines, Zambra and Tango, are siblings and just turned 4 years old and are now just entering their prime years of service," Warnick said. "While it would be ideal for a retired officer and their assigned dog to retire together, there are a number of factors why the explosive-detection canines would remain on the department."

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AROUND THE REGION

BOSTON

New safety rules for duck boats approved

Governor Charlie Baker has signed a bill to increase the safety of amphibious tour vehicles, after a 28-year-old woman was fatally struck by a duck boat last spring near Boston Common. The bill, which was signed Dec. 1, requires duck boats and similar vehicles to have safety equipment including blind spot cameras and proximity sensors, according to the state legislative website. The law takes effect in April and also bars drivers from providing "guide services," such as identifying landmarks and narrating local history, while operating the popular sight-seeing vehicles on a public way. Lawmakers pushed for rule changes after the death of Allison Warmuth, who was riding a moped near her Beacon Hill residence in April when a duck boat hit her.

CONCORD, N.H.

Court upholds verdict in killing of student

The New Hampshire Supreme Court Tuesday upheld the first-degree murder conviction of Seth J.

Mazzaglia in the death of 19-year-old Elizabeth Marriott, a Massachusetts native who was attending the University of New Hampshire. The court unanimously rejected Mazzaglia's argument that his trial was flawed because his lawyers were not able to claim that Marriott had previously expressed interest to sex partners in participating in bondage. During Mazzaglia's trial, his lawyers argued that Marriott was accidentally smothered during a consensual sex act in Mazzaglia's apartment in Dover, N.H., in 2012. Chief Justice Linda Dalianis ruled that under state law, so-called "propensity" evidence of crime victims can only be used under limited circumstances and Mazzaglia's case did not qualify as such a case. Mazzaglia is serving a life sentence.

CONCORD, N.H.

Fentanyl called top cause of overdose deaths

The drug fentanyl continues to outpace heroin as the chief cause of overdose deaths in New Hampshire. Newly released numbers by the medical examiner's office show 369 drug-related deaths this year. That doesn't include 78 deaths that are still pending toxicology. Fentanyl alone accounted for 153 deaths, while fentanyl combined with other drugs caused an additional 116 deaths.

Heroin alone, by contrast, caused just two deaths. Heroin and other drugs, including fentanyl, caused 20 more. The medical examiner's office is projecting 476 drug deaths in New Hampshire by year's end. That's up slightly from 2015 and more than double the number of deaths from several years ago. (AP)

ANTRIM, N.H.

State committee backs wind farm proposal

State regulators have approved a new wind farm in Antrim. New Hampshire Public Radio reports the state's Site Evaluation Committee voted 5 to 1 on Monday to approve the project. The wind farm will include nine turbines that are expected to power roughly 12,000 homes. At least 20 percent of the power is supposed to go to New Hampshire homes. The project was first rejected in 2009. Opponents of wind farms argued the turbines mar New Hampshire's landscape. Construction is slated to begin in fall 2017, with the wind farm running by 2018. Walden Green Energy is the company behind the project. Development head Jack Kenworthy says the project will bring "significant" investment, clean energy, and "conservation benefits" to Antrim and the surrounding area. (AP)

POLICE BLOTTER

■ **COLD CASE ARREST** An 80-year-old Amesbury man who testified against James "Whitey" Bulger at his trial in 2013 was arrested Tuesday for the 1991 armed robbery and murder of an armored truck guard from Athol, according to Paul Jarvey, a spokesman for the Worcester district attorney's office. Ralph DeMasi will be charged with killing and robbing Edward P. Morlock Sr., who was 52 at the time.



He is due to be arraigned Wednesday in Worcester Superior Court. DeMasi allegedly shot and killed Morlock as he was carrying money bags from a Shaw's grocery store on Lincoln Street. DeMasi and the other suspects allegedly escaped the robbery and shooting in a getaway car. The three others suspects have died since the event.

■ **DRUG CHARGES** Twenty people were charged Tuesday with drug trafficking for importing her-

oin, Fentanyl, and cocaine from the Dominican Republic and Mexico to Providence, Massachusetts, and Rhode Island, according to the US attorney's office in Boston. A series of arrests and searches carried out early Tuesday morning yielded approximately 8 kilograms of heroin, a number of firearms, and approximately \$500,000 in cash, luxury vehicles, and Rolex watches, officials said. One additional individual was arrested on state charges of trafficking in 220 grams or more of cocaine, prosecutors said.

■ **BONES FOUND** Law enforcement officials returned Tuesday to Georgetown, where they have been searching the home and property of a man who recently died. Investigators so far have recovered three bones that were believed to be from an animal, the Essex district attorney's office said. But the bones will be examined by the medical examiner's office. The search, which be-

gan last Saturday, is being overseen by Essex prosecutors.

■ **DORCHESTER SHOOTING** In the third shooting in Boston in 24 hours, a man was injured in Dorchester early Tuesday afternoon, police said. The man was shot on Clifton Street about 12:45 p.m., said Lieutenant Detective Michael McCarthy, spokesman for Boston police. He was expected to survive, he said.

■ **DEATH PROBED** A 2-year-old boy who was found unresponsive in a Brockton home last week has died, Plymouth County prosecutors said Tuesday. The name of the child has not been released and no criminal charges have been filed, the district attorney's office said. State Police detectives, along with Brockton police, are investigating.

TOP STORIES Spiritual retreats are updating and expanding for students at the College of the Holy Cross. **A1** The long-time head of the Boston Teachers Union is stepping down in June **A1** What's next for Mitt Romney? **B1**

Ex-priest charged with assaulting teen in '70s

By Laura Crimaldi
GLOBE STAFF

A former associate chaplain at St. George's School in Rhode Island who has been accused of sexual abuse in three other states and stripped of his priesthood by the Episcopal Church was arraigned Tuesday on charges that he molested a teenager during two trips to Boston in 1973.

The criminal charges against Howard White Jr., 75, grew out of a Rhode Island State Police investigation into allegations of sexual assault and sexual misconduct by former faculty and students at the elite prep school in Middletown, R.I., going back to 1970, according to the Suffolk district attorney's office.

The DA's office and a civil attorney for three alleged victims said the criminal proceedings are the first they know of to be initiated against White, who lives in Bedford, Pa.

A grand jury indicted White last month on five counts of assault and battery. He pleaded not guilty at his arraignment in Suffolk Superior Court.

Suffolk Assistant District Attorney Audrey Mark said White couldn't be charged with indecent assault and battery because the law was not on the books at the time of the alleged offenses. The statute of limitations doesn't apply in this case, prosecutors said, because White never resided in Massachusetts.

"Whether as a child or as an adult, disclosing sexual abuse can be the most daunting experience in a person's life," Suffolk District Attorney Daniel F. Conley said in a statement. "Survivors everywhere should know that they can feel safe and sup-



SUZANNE KREITER/GLOBE STAFF

Howard White Jr. (left) left Suffolk Superior Court Tuesday. He was arraigned on charges of molesting a teenager during two trips to Boston in the 1970s, when he was a chaplain at St. George's School in Rhode Island.

ported coming to us."

Allegations of sexual abuse against White have also been reported to authorities in North Carolina and New Hampshire, officials have said.

In 1996, White faced a lawsuit from a former parishioner at a church in West Virginia who accused him of sexual abuse, according to an independent report into sexual abuse at St. George's. That complaint was dismissed because the statute of limitations had run out,

the report said.

In a statement, St. George's said it has cooperated with the investigation and "has confidence that the judicial process will result in a just outcome."

"The school remains steadfast in its commitment to support the St. George's survivor community," it said.

Carmen Durso, a lawyer who represents the alleged victim, praised the decision to prosecute White.

"The fact that he's been al-

lowed to go from place to place and the fact that people didn't take steps to stop him is unthinkable," he said.

The alleged abuse occurred when the male student was 15 and 16 years old, prosecutors said. White befriended the boy, invited him to his apartment to help him with school work, and took him out to dinner, Mark said.

On two occasions during the spring of the boy's freshman year and the fall of his sopho-

more year, White took the teenager on overnight trips to Boston, where they stayed in a hotel, Mark said.

During one trip, White and the student dined at Anthony's Pier 4 restaurant and saw the horror movie "The Exorcist," Mark said. White sexually assaulted the boy in a hotel room, she said.

In the middle of the student's sophomore year, Mark said, the boy confronted White and said the abuse "has got to stop."

White allegedly responded by saying, "I'll tell you what. It's not going to stop. If you try to stop, I'll make your life difficult," Mark said.

The student told the school's headmaster what had happened, Mark said, and White allegedly confessed to abusing the boy.

No bail was sought for White, who appeared in court voluntarily, prosecutors said.

Following his court appearance, White and defense lawyer David Duncan declined to comment. A trial date was tentatively set for June 26.

White was removed from the priesthood in October by the Episcopal Diocese of Central Pennsylvania, according to a statement on its website. The diocese said it had placed White on leave in January after the allegations against him were made public.

In North Carolina, investigators are looking into a claim from a woman who said that, when she was a teenager, White sexually abused her at Grace Church in the Mountains in Waynesville, the Globe reported in February.

Durso, who represents the woman and another man who says he was sexually abused by White in North Carolina, said the investigation there remains pending.

In August, St. Paul's School in Concord, N.H., announced that an alumnus had recently disclosed an allegation of past sexual abuse by White. The school said it reported the allegation to Concord police.

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Healey says secretary of state nominee should 'come clean'

By Travis Andersen
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ExxonMobil chief executive Rex Tillerson should "come clean" about whether the energy giant misled the public about climate change, now that President-elect Donald J. Trump has chosen him to be the nation's top diplomat, Massachusetts Attorney General Maura Healey said Tuesday.

Healey spoke to the Globe hours after Trump announced the selection of Tillerson to be the next secretary of state.

The Bay State Democrat is locked in a court battle with ExxonMobil, which has used aggressive legal tactics in an effort to thwart subpoenas from Healey and New York Attorney General Eric Schneiderman for

company documents on climate change dating back to the 1970s.

"Now that he's been nominated by the president-elect, he should absolutely answer the questions that we've been asking for months now," Healey said. "And this is the opportunity to come clean and produce information from the documents."

Healey demurred when asked Tuesday if she felt Tillerson could be an effective secretary of state, in light of questions over his business ties to Russia. His nomination is subject to Senate confirmation.

"I'll leave that to others to evaluate," Healey said. "There are a lot of things that I'm sure will be the subject of extensive

inquiry and vetting."

She said of ExxonMobil's legal strategy in the climate case, "The First Amendment doesn't protect the right to lie and doesn't protect companies from lying. [ExxonMobil's lawsuit] is really corporate bullying at its best, and I think that with Mr. Tillerson's nomination, Exxon has some really serious questions to answer."

The Trump transition team did not respond to an e-mail inquiry seeking comment on Healey's remarks, and an ExxonMobil spokesman declined to comment.

Asked if she felt Tillerson's nomination was appropriate given her office's pending probe, Healey cited Trump's earlier selection of Oklahoma

Attorney General Scott Pruitt to head the Environmental Protection Agency.

Pruitt has questioned the science behind climate change and previously sued the EPA.

"I think it reflects the president-elect's priorities, between the nomination of a big-oil CEO [for secretary of state] and Scott Pruitt to head the EPA, whose career has been about trying to dismantle the EPA," Healey said.

She continued, "I'm just concerned that Exxon is a company that seems to think it doesn't play by the same rules as everyone else."

Healey announced last spring that she and other officials were pursuing a fraud investigation against ExxonMo-

bil, the world's largest oil company. She and Schneiderman later issued subpoenas for climate change documents in an effort to learn whether the company had misled consumers about the dangers of its own product.

ExxonMobil struck back in June, filing a lawsuit against Healey in Texas, accusing her of violating the company's rights under the First, Fourth, and 14th Amendments to the Constitution and "abusing the power of government to silence a speaker she disfavors."

The company alleged that Healey had judged the company guilty before even conducting an investigation, which she denies, and demanded that she testify about her efforts and

provide documents from her office.

United States District Court Judge Ed Kinkeade initially sided with ExxonMobil in November, ordering Healey to appear in Dallas for a deposition. But he canceled his order on Monday and instructed both sides to submit briefs by Jan. 4 on whether Texas has jurisdiction over the matter.

The legal fight is also pending in state court in Massachusetts.

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Lottery

TUESDAY MIDDAY 3054	
Payouts (based on a \$1 bet)	
EXACT ORDER	
All 4 digits	\$5,914
First or last 3	\$828
Any 2 digits	\$71
Any 1 digit	\$7
ANY ORDER	
All 4 digits	\$246
First 3	\$138
Last 3	\$138
TUESDAY NIGHT 5897	
Payouts (based on a \$1 bet)	
EXACT ORDER	
All 4 digits	\$4,317
First or last 3	\$604
Any 2 digits	\$52
Any 1 digit	\$5
ANY ORDER	
All 4 digits	\$180
First 3	\$101
Last 3	\$101

LUCKY FOR LIFE		
Dec. 12	6 18 25 44 48	
Lucky Ball 15		
Jackpot: \$1,000 a day for life; no winners		
MASS CASH		
Dec. 13	2 8 22 29 34	
Jackpot: \$100,000; no winners		
MEGA MILLIONS		
Dec. 13	2 15 26 34 41	
Megaball 14, Megaplier 5		
Jackpot: \$51,000,000		
PREVIOUS DRAWINGS		
	Midday	Night
Monday	7234	9820
Sunday	2558	4978
Saturday	2669	5254
Friday	3005	2747
Thursday	4639	4060
TUESDAY NUMBERS		
AROUND NEW ENGLAND		
Maine, N.H., Vermont		
Day: 3-digit	917	4-digit 2697
Eve: 3-digit	292	4-digit 4972
Rhode Island		
		7169

'Spelling Bee Bandit' charged in 4 robberies

By Travis Andersen
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A Chelsea man dubbed the "Spelling Bee Bandit" is facing federal charges that he robbed several Greater Boston banks by passing poorly spelled notes — and a tip from his mother helped investigators crack the case, court records show.

Jason S. Englen, 34, was arrested Monday and charged with robbing banks in Arlington, Burlington, Peabody, and Reading between Oct. 31 and Nov. 13, according to legal filings and the US attorney's Boston office.

In each robbery, Englen allegedly approached a teller and passed a note that declared "ROBERY" or "ROBERT" and demanded cash, prosecutors said. He made off with \$965 in the Arlington robbery, \$880 in Reading, \$2,121 in Burlington, and \$2,380 in Peabody, prosecutors allege.

Englen's public defender could not be reached for comment Tuesday.

According to an affidavit from FBI Special Agent Brendan C. Fogerty, Englen was being held at the Nashua Street Jail in Boston on an unrelated probation violation and had a recorded phone call with his mother, Theresa, on Nov. 18. The jail monitors all inmate



FBI

A surveillance camera captured the suspect in a bank robbery, believed by prosecutors to be Jason S. Englen, 34.

calls, except conversations with their lawyers.

During the call, Theresa Englen told her son she had seen an FBI bulletin about the robberies and knew he was the suspect, Fogerty wrote.

Jason Englen declined to discuss the matter with her, but an investigator at the jail alerted authorities, according to the affidavit.

On Nov. 23, Theresa Englen called an FBI task force officer, Robert DiSalvatore, and said her son was the person depicted in surveillance photos from the Reading robbery, Fogerty wrote.

Six days later, Fogerty and DiSalvatore interviewed Theresa and her husband, Joseph Englen, at her Chelsea home. When shown an image of her

son wearing a hat during one of the robberies, Theresa Englen said "So that's what happened to my Patriots hat," investigators wrote.

Englen's parents also told investigators he "has a serious drug habit, most likely heroin, and that they were aware that he had robbed banks in the past," Fogerty wrote. "They said that [Englen] had recently been released from prison, was staying clean, and was doing odd jobs and work around their house."

On Nov. 30, FBI agents interviewed Englen's girlfriend, who said they had stayed in a Danvers motel on Nov. 12. The next day, he texted her to say "he had money to give her," Fogerty wrote.

Englen made an initial appearance in federal court in Boston Monday on four bank robbery counts. He did not enter a plea and was ordered held pending further proceedings. An arraignment date was not set. If convicted, Englen could face up to 20 years in prison, prosecutors said.

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THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES NOTICE OF FILING AND PUBLIC HEARING

D.P.U. 16-178 December 9, 2016

Petition of NSTAR Electric Company and Western Massachusetts Electric Company, each d/b/a Eversource Energy, for approval to implement demand reduction demonstration offerings and associated budget.

On January 28, 2016, the Department of Public Utilities ("Department") approved a three-year energy efficiency plan ("Three-Year Plan") and associated budget for 2016 through 2018 for NSTAR Electric Company and Western Massachusetts Electric Company, each d/b/a Eversource Energy ("Eversource"). NSTAR Electric Company and Western Massachusetts Electric Company, D.P.U. 15-169 (2016). On October 31, 2016, Eversource filed a petition with the Department seeking to modify its Three-Year Plan in order to implement demand reduction demonstration offerings. The Department docketed this matter as D.P.U. 16-178.

Eversource proposes to deploy demand reduction demonstration offerings for the commercial and industrial ("C&I") sector in four areas: (1) battery storage; (2) thermal storage; (3) software and controls; and (4) active demand response. Eversource proposes a budget of \$21,461,000 for these offerings, which includes funding for program evaluation. Eversource seeks to recover these costs through its energy efficiency surcharges, M.D.P.U. Nos. 107F, 207F, 307H, and 1043H. On October 19, 2016, the Energy Efficiency Advisory Council passed a resolution supporting Eversource's proposal.

Residential and low-income customers will not experience any bill impacts related to Eversource's proposal. If the Department approves the demand reduction demonstration offerings and associated budget as proposed, Eversource states that C&I customers will experience the following bill impacts.

NSTAR Electric Company

• Small C&I customers in the Greater Boston service area (formerly Boston Edison Company's service territory) will experience an approximate monthly bill increase of between 1.1 percent and 1.5 percent in 2017. These customers should contact Eversource for specific bill impact information.

• Small C&I customers in the Cambridge service area (formerly Cambridge Electric Light Company's service territory) will experience an approximate monthly bill increase of between 1.1 percent and 1.8 percent in 2017. These customers should contact Eversource for specific bill impact information.

• Small C&I customers in the South Shore, Cape Cod, and Martha's Vineyard service areas (formerly Commonwealth Electric Company's service territory) will experience an approximate monthly bill increase of between 1.1 percent and 1.7 percent in 2017. These customers should contact Eversource for specific bill impact information.

• Bill impacts for medium and large C&I customers will vary. These customers should contact Eversource for specific bill impact information.

Western Massachusetts Electric Company

• Small C&I customers will experience a monthly bill increase between approximately 2.4 percent and 3.3 percent in 2017. These customers should contact Eversource for specific bill impact information.

• Bill impacts for medium and large C&I customers will vary. These customers should contact Eversource for specific bill impact information.

A copy of Eversource's petition is available for public viewing during regular business hours at the Department's offices, One South Station, 5th Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02110 and on the Department's website at <http://www.mass.gov/dpu>. Documents on the Department's website may be accessed by docket number (D.P.U. 16-178) in the file room at <http://web1.env.state.ma.us/DPU/FileRoom/dockets/bynumber>.

The Department will conduct a public hearing to receive comments on the Company's petition on **Wednesday, January 11, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.** at the Department's offices, One South Station, 5th Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02110. Any person who desires to comment may do so at the time and place noted above or submit written comments to the Department no later than the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on **Wednesday, January 11, 2017**. The public hearing will immediately be followed by a procedural conference.

Any person who desires to participate in the evidentiary phase of this proceeding must file a written petition for leave to intervene with the Department no later than the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on **Wednesday, January 4, 2017**. A petition for leave to intervene must satisfy the timing and substantive requirements of 220 C.M.R. § 1.03. Receipt by the Department of the filing and (3) a brief descriptive title of the document. The electronic filing must also include the name, title, and telephone number of a person to contact in the event of questions. All documents submitted in electronic format will be posted on the Department's website: <http://www.mass.gov/dpu>.

An original hard copy of all comments or petitions to intervene must be filed with Mark D. Marini, Secretary, Department of Public Utilities, One South Station, 5th Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02110, and a copy of all comments or petitions to intervene must also be sent to Sarah A. Smegal, Hearing Officer at the Department of Public Utilities. A copy of all comments or petitions to intervene must also be submitted to Ernest Stevens, Esq., Keegan Werlin LLP, 265 Franklin Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02110.

All documents must also be submitted to the Department in electronic format using one of the following methods: (1) by e-mail attachment to dpu.filing@state.ma.us and (2) on a CD-ROM. The text of the e-mail or CD-ROM must specify: (1) the docket number of the proceeding (D.P.U. 16-178); (2) the name of the company submitting the filing; (3) a brief descriptive title of the document. The electronic filing must also include the name, title, and telephone number of a person to contact in the event of questions. All documents submitted in electronic format will be posted on the Department's website: <http://www.mass.gov/dpu>.

Any person desiring further information regarding Eversource's filing should contact, John K. Habib, Esq., or Jessica C. Bruno, Esq., at (617) 951-1400. Any person desiring further information regarding this notice should contact Sarah A. Smegal, Hearing Officer, Department of Public Utilities, at (617) 305-3653.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD BY MASSACHUSETTS DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AGENCY (DFIA) CONCERNING THE UW4 LIMITED PARTNERSHIP PROJECT AT 331-337 AND 322-336 WASHINGTON STREET AND 101 BOWDOIN AVENUE, BOSTON (DORCHESTER), MASSACHUSETTS. Notice is hereby given that Massachusetts Development Finance Agency will hold a public hearing on January 3, 2017 at 10:00 A.M. at 99 High Street, 11th Floor, Boston, Massachusetts, to consider the issuance of revenue bonds for the Massachusetts Development Finance Agency in an amount not exceeding \$7,700,000 for the benefit of UW4 Limited Partnership (the "Borrower" which term includes in this notice any parent, subsidiary or other affiliate of the Borrower) and for the bonds will be used to currently refund the Massachusetts Development Finance Agency Revenue Bonds, UW4 Limited Partnership Issue, Series 2014, the proceeds of which were used to (i) acquire and construct of land and construction of approximately 35 residential rental housing units and related facilities thereon in two buildings, all to be owned by the Borrower and located at the following locations in Boston (Dorchester), Massachusetts: 331-337 and 322-336 Washington Street and 101 Bowdoin Avenue; and (ii) the payment of capitalized interest and costs of issuance (collectively, the "Project"). The bonds will not constitute a debt or pledge of the faith and credit of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts or Massachusetts Development Finance Agency.

Interested persons wishing to express their views on such Project and the proposed issuance of revenue bonds to finance and refinance the Project will be given the opportunity to do so at the public hearing or may, prior to the time of the public hearing, submit their views in writing to Massachusetts Development Finance Agency, 99 High Street, 11th Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02110.

BOSTON WATER AND SEWER COMMISSION INVITATION FOR BIDS

The Boston Water and Sewer Commission by its Executive Director invites sealed bids for **CONTRACT # 16-209-02Z SEWER AND DRAIN PIPE REPLACEMENT AND RELIABLE LATION CITY-WIDE**. Bids must be accompanied by a bid deposit, certified check, treasurers or cashier's check, or in the form of a performance bond to become the property of the Commission if the bid, after acceptance, is not carried out. In addition, a performance bond and also a labor and materials payment bond, each of which shall be sufficient to bind the bidder under the laws of the Commonwealth and satisfactory to the Executive Director, and each in the sum of 100% OF THE CONTRACT PRICE, must be submitted within the time specified in the Contract document. Bid documents may be obtained from the Procurement Office, Boston Water and Sewer Commission, 980 Harrison Avenue, 3rd Floor, Boston, MA 02119. Bids must be submitted on the forms obtained from the Director of Procurement, in a sealed envelope, clearly marked **BIDS FOR CONTRACT # 16-209-02Z SEWER AND DRAIN PIPE REPLACEMENT AND RELIABLE LATION CITY-WIDE**. Bids will be publicly opened and read at the office of the Director of Procurement on **JANUARY 18, 2017 10:00 A.M.** There will be a non-refundable charge of \$25.00 for each set of contract documents taken. The rate of wages paid in the work to be performed under the contract shall not be less than the prevailing rate of wages in the schedule of wages determined by the Department of Labor, Division of Occupational Safety of the Commonwealth, a copy of which schedule is annexed to the form of contract referred to herein. Before commencing performance on this contract, the contractor shall provide by insurance or the payment of compensation and the furnishing of all other benefits under Chapter 152 of the General Laws (The Workmen's Compensation Law) so covered. Attention is called to Chapter 370 of the Acts of 1963, which must be strictly complied with. No bid for the award of this project will be considered acceptable unless the Contractor agrees to comply fully with the Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Utilization Requirement as set forth in Article VIII of the Contract and the Utilization of Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprises as set forth in Article X of the Contract. The Executive Director reserves the right to reject any and all bids. The Award of any contract is subject to the approval of the Board of Commissioners.

By: Henry F. Vitale
Executive Director

[12/14/16]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

NOTICE OF FILING AND PUBLIC HEARING

D.P.U. 16-184 December 9, 2016

Petition of Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Company d/b/a Unitil (electric division) for approval to implement demand response demonstration offerings and associated budget.

On January 28, 2016, the Department of Public Utilities ("Department") approved a three-year energy efficiency plan ("Three-Year Plan") and associated budget for 2016 through 2018 for Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Company d/b/a Unitil (electric division) ("Company"). Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Company, D.P.U. 15-167 (2016). On November 9, 2016, the Company filed a petition with the Department seeking to modify its Three-Year Plan in order to implement certain demand response demonstration offerings. The Department docketed this matter as D.P.U. 16-184.

The Company proposes to deploy demand response demonstration offerings for the residential and commercial and industrial ("C&I") sectors. In the residential sector, the Company proposes to install up to six separate residential battery storage systems at customer homes that have previously installed solar photovoltaic systems. In the C&I sector, the Company proposes to implement an active demand response program for up to two customers which will employ technology to assist the customers in shifting load during certain peak hours. The Company proposes a budget of \$1,140,000 for the residential offerings and \$32,000 for the C&I offerings. The Company proposes to recover these costs through its energy efficiency surcharges, M.D.P.U. No. 287. On October 19, 2016, the Energy Efficiency Advisory Council passed a resolution supporting the Company's proposal.

If the Department approves the Company's demand response demonstration offerings and associated budget as proposed, the Company states that customers will experience the following bill impacts.

- A typical residential (RD-1) customer using 587 kilowatt hours ("kWh") of electricity per month will experience a monthly bill increase of \$0.15, or approximately 0.1 percent in 2017.
- A typical low-income (RD-2) customer using 587 kWh of electricity per month will experience a monthly bill increase of \$0.12, or approximately 0.1 percent in 2017.
- C&I bill impacts will vary. For specific bill impacts, please contact the Company.

A copy of the Company's petition is available for public viewing during regular business hours at the Department's offices, One South Station, 5th Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02110 and on the Department's website at <http://www.mass.gov/dpu>. Documents on the Department's website may be accessed by docket number (D.P.U. 16-184) in the file room at <http://web1.env.state.ma.us/DPU/FileRoom/dockets/bynumber>.

The Department will conduct a public hearing to receive comments on the Company's petition on **Wednesday, January 11, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.** at the Department's offices, One South Station, 5th Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02110. Any person who desires to comment may do so at the time and place noted above or submit written comments to the Department no later than the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on **Wednesday, January 11, 2017**. The public hearing will be immediately followed by a procedural conference.

Any person who desires to participate in the evidentiary phase of this proceeding must file a written petition for leave to intervene with the Department no later than the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on **Wednesday, January 4, 2017**. A petition for leave to intervene must satisfy the timing and substantive requirements of 220 C.M.R. § 1.03. Receipt by the Department, not mailing, constitutes filing and determines whether a petition has been timely filed. A petition filed late may be disallowed as untimely, unless good cause is shown for waiver under 220 C.M.R. § 1.01(d). To be allowed, a petition under 220 C.M.R. § 1.03(1) must satisfy the standing requirements of G.L. c. 30A, § 10.

An original hard copy of all comments or petitions to intervene must be filed with Mark D. Marini, Secretary, Department of Public Utilities, One South Station, 5th Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02110, and a copy of all comments or petitions to intervene must also be sent to Sarah A. Smegal, Hearing Officer at the Department of Public Utilities. A copy of all comments or petitions to intervene must also be submitted to Ernest Stevens, Esq., Keegan Werlin LLP, 265 Franklin Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02110.

All documents must also be submitted to the Department in electronic format using one of the following methods: (1) by e-mail attachment to dpu.filing@state.ma.us and (2) on a CD-ROM. The text of the e-mail or CD-ROM must specify: (1) the docket number of the proceeding (D.P.U. 16-184); (2) the name of the person or company submitting the filing; and (3) a brief descriptive title of the document. The electronic filing must also include the name, title, and telephone number of a person to contact in the event of questions. All documents submitted in electronic format will be posted on the Department's website: <http://www.mass.gov/dpu>.

Any person desiring further information regarding the Company's filing should contact Danielle C. Winter, Esq., at (617) 951-1400. Any person desiring further information regarding this notice should contact Sarah A. Smegal, Hearing Officer, Department of Public Utilities, at (617) 305-3653.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT DEPARTMENT OF THE TRAIL COURT

NORFOLK, SS. Case No 14 MISC 481735(HPS)

Sukhginder S. Gill

VS.

Patricia M. Annino, Administrator of the Estate of Ernest Stevens, et al

TO: Ernest Stevens, individually and as trustee and beneficiary of the Stavrou trust, deceased, formerly of Brookline, Norfolk County and said Commonwealth, Phillip Stevens, individually and as trustee and beneficiary of the Stavrou trust, deceased, formerly of Brookline, Norfolk County, Middlesex County and said Commonwealth, Ernest Stevens, Jr., deceased, formerly of Boston, Suffolk County and said Commonwealth or their heirs, devisees, or legal representatives.

You are hereby notified that a complaint has been filed by the above named plaintiffs in which you are named as an interested party. This complaint concerns a certain parcel of land in Brookline, Norfolk County, and said Commonwealth being known as and numbered 321323 Cypress Street, being more particularly described as follows: bounded by Nellie T. Murphy to Konsdantin Stavru, said deed being dated July 18, 1938 and recorded in the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 2196, Page 610, plaintiff seeks a judgment that he holds his title free of any claims of the defendants.

This complaint may be examined at the Land Court, Boston, Massachusetts, or a copy obtained from plaintiff's attorney.

If you intend to make any defense, you are hereby required to file a written answer to the complaint with the Land Court, Boston, Massachusetts, and to the attention of John N. Lewis & Associates whose address is 42 Spring St., Suite 5, Watertown, MA 02472-3444 an answer to the complaint on or before the twenty-third day of January, next, and the return date hereof, and a copy thereof must be filed in this court on or before said day.

If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. Unless otherwise provided by Rule 13(a), your answer must state as a counterclaim any claim which you may have against the plaintiff's claim or the transaction or occurrence that is the subject matter of the plaintiff's claim or you will thereafter be barred from making such claim in any other action.

It is ORDERED that notice be given by publishing a copy of this notice once in the Boston Globe, a newspaper published in Boston in the County of Suffolk, and said Commonwealth at least thirty days before the twenty-third day of January.

Witness, Judith C. Cutler, Chief Justice, of the Land Court, the ninth day of December, 2016.

Deborah J. Patterson
Recorder

NOTICE TO CONTRACTOR

University of Massachusetts Boston
Clark Ramp Repairs
CB17-MK-0005
Sealed bids for the Clark Ramp Repairs project will be received by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts University of Massachusetts Boston. Contractors must be engaged in concrete Repairs.

A pre-bid meeting will be held on Thursday, January 5, 2017 at 10:00am, Quinn Admin. Bldg., 3rd Fl, Rm 308.

Bids will be received no later than 2:00pm, on Wednesday, January 18, 2017 and must be accompanied by a bid deposit that is no less than 5% of the bid amount. The bid deposit may be in the form of a certified, treasurer's or cashier's check; or in the form of a performance bond. The successful bidder must furnish a payment bond in the amount of 50% of the contract price.

Bids are subject to M.G.L. 149, and to the minimum wage rate as required by the M.G.L. c. 149, §26 to 27H inclusive. The University reserves the right to waive any informality or to reject any and all bids if it were in the public interest to do so.

Bid documents can be requested by sending an email to Procurement@umb.edu.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO ESTABLISH A BRANCH OFFICE

Boston Prep RFP for FFBE
Boston Prep Charter Public School is procuring furniture, fixtures and equipment for a new, 49,000 square foot school building that will be opening in Hyde Park in June 2017. Our current address is 1286 Hyde Park Ave, 02136, in Boston. We are seeking bids for provision, delivery and installation of FFBE items. Please contact Alev to request the full bid package: Alev.Durmus-Pedinin@stvinc.com. All bids will be due by 1/17 at 3:00PM.

Notification is given that Citizens Bank, National Association, the Citizens Plaza, Providence, RI 02903 has filed an application with the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC) under 12 CFR 5, for permission to establish a branch office at 390 Washington St., Weymouth, MA 02481. Any person wishing to comment on this application may file comments in writing here and the Director for District Licensing, Northeastern District Office, 300 Madison Avenue, 11th Floor, New York, NY 10173-0002, within 30 days of the date of this publication.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS SUPERIOR COURT

SUFFOLK, SS. Docket No. 16-1543-G

Bank of America, N.A., Successor by Acquisition to Countrywide Home Loans, Inc. f/k/a Countrywide Funding Corporation,

Plaintiff,

v. Northeast Mortgage, LLC, Defendant.

SUMMONS AND ORDER OF NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

TO: Northeast Mortgage, LLC:

WHEREAS, a complaint to quiet title and/or declare it free of a mortgage has been commenced against you in Suffolk County Superior Court, Suffolk County Courthouse, 12th Floor, 3 Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108, and it appears to the Court upon suggestion by the plaintiff, Bank of America, N.A., Successor by Acquisition to Countrywide Home Loans, Inc. f/k/a Countrywide Funding Corporation, that you have not been served process in this matter it is

ORDERED that Notice of this Civil Action be given to you by publishing a copy of this Summons and Order once a week for three consecutive weeks in the Danbury News Times, a newspaper published in Danbury, Connecticut and the area of Southern and the area of Southern, Connecticut, and the Boston Globe, a newspaper published in Boston, Massachusetts and circulated in Rosindale and the area of Rosindale, Massachusetts, the last publication to be prior to December 15, 2016.

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon John L. Allen, Esquire, plaintiff's attorney, whose address is Allen-Fuller P.A., 40 Stark Street, Manchester, NH 03101, an answer to the complaint which is herewith deemed to be served upon you, within 20 days after service of this summons on you, excluding the day of service. If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. You are also required to file your answer to the complaint in the office of the Clerk of the Court at Boston, Massachusetts, or in person, in person upon the plaintiff's attorney or within a reasonable time thereafter, but, no later than January 8, 2017.

Unless otherwise provided by Rule 13(a), your answer must state as a counterclaim any claim which you may have against the plaintiff which arises out of the transaction or occurrence that is the subject matter of the plaintiff's complaint or you will thereafter be barred from making such a claim in any other action.

By the Court this 19th day of October, in the year of our Lord two thousand and sixteen.

SO ORDERED:
Paul Wilson, Associate Justice

NOTICE OF PROPOSED AGENCY ACTION

SUBJECT: MassHealth: Payment for Nursing Facility Services effective December 30, 2016

AGENCY: Massachusetts Executive Office of Health and Human Services

Pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L. c. 118E and in accordance with M.G.L. c. 30A, as amended, the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (EOHHS) will hold a public comment period until December 22, 2016, relative to the adoption of amendments to:

101 CMR 206.00: STANDARD PAYMENTS TO NURSING FACILITIES

The following describes and summarizes proposed changes to MassHealth payments for nursing facility services as adopted in 101 CMR 206.00. The proposed amendments will revise 101 CMR 206.00 to implement spending reductions required pursuant to the Governor's exercise of authority under M.G.L. c. 29, s. 9C, effective December 30, 2016. Specifically, the proposed amendments eliminate incentive payments to nursing facilities under the Pay for Performance Program (P4P) for FY2017. The proposed amendments maintain nursing facility rates and other provisions included in the amendments to 101 CMR 206.00 adopted on October 1, 2016.

Goals, Objectives, and Justification of the Proposed Methodology

The proposed amendments eliminate P4P funding of \$2.8 million for FY2017. EOHHS is making these changes to implement the spending reductions required pursuant to the Governor's exercise of authority under M.G.L. c. 29, s. 9C, and to ensure that payments are reasonable and do not cost more than the value of services provided. EOHHS will ensure that the payments are reasonable and do not cost more than the value of services provided. Annual aggregate MassHealth expenditures will decrease by \$2.8 million as a result of the amendments to 101 CMR 206.00 adopted on October 1, 2016.

Copies of the amended regulation and rates are available at EOHHS or may be viewed at EOHHS's website at www.mass.gov/eohhs/gov/laws-regis/nhs/hospitals/nursing-facilities-and-residential-nursing-facilities. Individuals may submit written comments by e-mailing ehs-regulations@state.ma.us. Please submit electronic comments as an attached Word document or as text within the body of the e-mail with the contract document. Bid documents may be obtained from the Procurement Office, Boston Water and Sewer Commission, 980 Harrison Avenue, 3rd Floor, Boston, MA 02119, Monday thru Friday 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM. Bids must be submitted on the forms obtained from the Director of Procurement, in a sealed envelope, clearly marked **BIDS FOR CONTRACT # 15-308-006 REPLACEMENT AND REHABILITATION OF WATER MAINS, STORM DRAINS AND SEWERS IN CHARLESTOWN AND ALLSTON/BRIGHTON**. Bids must be accompanied by a bid deposit, certified check, treasurers or cashier's check, or in the form of a performance bond in the amount of 100% OF THE CONTRACT PRICE, must be submitted within the time specified in the Contract document. Bid documents may be obtained from the Procurement Office, Boston Water and Sewer Commission, 980 Harrison Avenue, 3rd Floor, Boston, MA 02119, Monday thru Friday 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM. Bids must be submitted on the forms obtained from the Director of Procurement, in a sealed envelope, clearly marked **BIDS FOR CONTRACT # 15-308-006 REPLACEMENT AND REHABILITATION OF WATER MAINS, STORM DRAINS AND SEWERS IN CHARLESTOWN AND ALLSTON/BRIGHTON**. Bids will be publicly opened and read at the office of the Director of Procurement on **JANUARY 11, 2017 10:00 A.M.** There will be a non-refundable charge of \$25.00 for each set of contract documents taken out. The rate of wages paid in the work to be performed under the contract shall not be less than the prevailing rate of wages in the schedule of wages determined by the Department of Labor, Division of Occupational Safety of the Commonwealth, a copy of which schedule is annexed to the form of contract referred to herein. Before commencing performance on this contract, the contractor shall provide by insurance for the payment of compensation and the furnishing of all other benefits under Chapter 152 of the General Laws (The Workmen's Compensation Law) so covered. Attention is called to Chapter 370 of the Acts of 1963, which must be strictly complied with. No bid for the award of this project will be considered acceptable unless the Contractor agrees to comply fully with the Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Utilization Requirement as set forth in Article X of the Contract. The Executive Director reserves the right to reject any and all bids. The Award of any contract is subject to the approval of the Board of Commissioners.

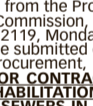
December 14, 2016

BOSTON WATER AND SEWER COMMISSION INVITATION FOR BIDS

The Boston Water and Sewer Commission by its Executive Director invites sealed bids for **CONTRACT # 15-308-006 REPLACEMENT AND REHABILITATION OF WATER MAINS, STORM DRAINS AND SEWERS IN CHARLESTOWN AND ALLSTON/BRIGHTON**. Bids must be accompanied by a bid deposit, certified check, treasurers or cashier's check, or in the form of a performance bond in the amount of 100% OF THE CONTRACT PRICE, must be submitted within the time specified in the Contract document. Bid documents may be obtained from the Procurement Office, Boston Water and Sewer Commission, 980 Harrison Avenue, 3rd Floor, Boston, MA 02119, Monday thru Friday 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM. Bids must be submitted on the forms obtained from the Director of Procurement, in a sealed envelope, clearly marked **BIDS FOR CONTRACT # 15-308-006 REPLACEMENT AND REHABILITATION OF WATER MAINS, STORM DRAINS AND SEWERS IN CHARLESTOWN AND ALLSTON/BRIGHTON**. Bids will be publicly opened and read at the office of the Director of Procurement on **JANUARY 11, 2017 10:00 A.M.** There will be a non-refundable charge of \$25.00 for each set of contract documents taken out. The rate of wages paid in the work to be performed under the contract shall not be less than the prevailing rate of wages in the schedule of wages determined by the Department of Labor, Division of Occupational Safety of the Commonwealth, a copy of which schedule is annexed to the form of contract referred to herein. Before commencing performance on this contract, the contractor shall provide by insurance for the payment of compensation and the furnishing of all other benefits under Chapter 152 of the General Laws (The Workmen's Compensation Law) so covered. Attention is called to Chapter 370 of the Acts of 1963, which must be strictly complied with. No bid for the award of this project will be considered acceptable unless the Contractor agrees to comply fully with the Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Utilization Requirement as set forth in Article X of the Contract. The Executive Director reserves the right to reject any and all bids. The Award of any contract is subject to the approval of the Board of Commissioners.

By: Henry F. Vitale
Executive Director

[12/14/16]



THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND RECREATION IS ACCEPTING PROPOSALS FOR Fixed Food Concessions

Ponkapoag Golf Course Club House, Canton, MA – Full Kitchen
Leo J Martin Golf Course Course Club House, Weston, MA – Snack Bar
McCormack Bathhouse at Carson Beach, South Boston, MA – Full Kitchen

Non-Motorized Boating (kayak, canoe, etc.)
Blessing of the Bay and Other Locations Statewide

For questions or a copy of the Proposal Requirements send an E-Mail request with your full contact info to: DCR.PERMITS@STATE.MA.US

For other permitting info visit: <http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/dcr/services-and-assistance/concessions/>

The Massachusetts Pension Reserves Investment Management (PRIM) Board
Request for Proposal (RFP)
Design, verification and Counting of Ballots and Envelopes, and the Offset Printing of Scannable Ballots

NOTICE OF A PHASE I – INITIAL SITE INVESTIGATION AND TIER II CLASSIFICATION
33 Congress Street
Boston, Massachusetts
Release # Number: 3-33296

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Reserves Investment Management (PRIM) Board, a \$63 billion public pension fund, is soliciting proposals from firms interested in providing for the design, verification and counting of ballots and envelopes, and the offset printing of scannable ballots.

In order for responses to be considered by PRIM, each prospective provider must respond to the RFP by submitting an electronic copy of its response, including attachments, via email to rfrresponses@mapension.com. The response must be received by 3:00 p.m. EST, Friday, January 6, 2017.

Further instructions for response submission are included in the RFP. Questions concerning the RFP must be submitted to rspenses@mapension.com by 3:00 p.m., EST, Wednesday, December 21, 2016.

Beginning Monday, December 12, 2016 the RFP may be obtained electronically through the PRIM Board website at the www.mapension.com

Additional public involvement opportunities are available under 310 CMR 40.1403(9) and 310 CMR 40.1404.



DAVID L. RYAN/GLOBE STAFF

RIME OF THE SEASON — Frost on the leaves earlier this month in Milton presaged what the weather forecasters predict for this week, colder temperatures and precipitation. Full report, **B9**.

Cab firm owner to serve 18 months in halfway house

Romney's courtship with Trump is over

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Romney for the job, with phone calls, a meeting at Trump's golf course in Bedminster, N.J., and a sumptuous two-hour dinner at Jean Georges in Manhattan, complete with frog legs and diver scallops.

"I don't buy that Trump and Pence and their top advisers would spend all this time and energy if it were just an effort to harass Mitt," said Dan Senor, who has advised Romney on foreign policy. "The substantive conversations and meetings reflected a serious process."

Romney sincerely wanted the job as a way to influence a president he had warned could threaten American democracy and stability, Senor said.

"Mitt wasn't expecting or looking for a job," he said. "But when they talked to him about the secretary of state position, he believed he could serve the country best and be more effective as a member of the president's team, rather than trying to make his voice heard from the bleachers."

Others said Romney's willingness to ingratiate himself with Trump was in keeping with his long history of shifting positions to advance his political prospects.

"For [one] brief shining moment Romney this summer stood on [a] shining hill of integrity," Matthew Dowd, a former strategist on George W. Bush's 2004 presidential campaign and an ABC News political analyst, wrote on Twitter Tuesday. "He threw that all away in pursuing position over principle."

Barney Frank, the former Democratic congressman from Massachusetts, also took a dim view of Romney's interest in serving Trump.

"I was appalled by it," he said. "Is he that eager, that desperate for an office? He didn't just disagree with Trump, he totally denigrated the man — not unreasonably, it seemed to me."

Romney, who was endorsed by Trump when he ran for president in 2012, had emerged as perhaps the most vocal leader of the "Never Trump" movement this year.

In March, he delivered a blistering speech in which he attacked Trump as a threat to the country's values, warning that Trump was "playing the American public for suckers." Trump hit back, calling Romney a "choke artist" for losing to President Obama.

After the election, aides say, Romney called to congratulate Trump and the two started talking and meeting. After the dinner at Jean Georges late last month, Romney said he felt "increasing hope that President-elect Trump is the very man who can lead us to that better future."

For his wooing, Romney was roundly mocked on social media, and excoriated by some in Trump's orbit.

Kellyanne Conway, Trump's campaign manager, warned that nominating such a harsh critic to lead the State Department would be a betrayal to Trump's supporters. Newt Gingrich said he had never seen a former presidential candidate "suck up at the rate that Mitt Romney is sucking up."

Then, on Monday, Trump called Romney and told him he was not going to get the job.

"It was an honor to have been considered for secretary of state of our great country," Romney wrote on Facebook that night. "My discussions with President-elect Trump have been both enjoyable and enlightening. I have very high hopes that the new administration will lead the nation to greater strength, prosperity, and peace."

If Romney had been picked, it would have been a way for him to embrace public service and end his career on a high note, rather than with his defeat in 2012, said Daniel W. Drezner, a professor of international politics at The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University.

"I believe in public service, too," Drezner said, "so I would credit Romney with at least making a diplomatic effort."

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Flu shot rates fall short

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ready sick and vulnerable to severe complications.

"We think it's important for every health care worker, no matter where they work, to get vaccinated," said Dr. Alfred DeMaria, state epidemiologist and medical director of the Bureau of Infectious Disease and Laboratory Sciences.

But logistical challenges and resistance by some workers have kept rates below the ideal.

In 2014, the Massachusetts Nurses Association, a union, sued Brigham and Women's Hospital hoping to prevent the hospital from mandating that employees be vaccinated against the flu. The hospital backed off the mandate before the court acted, and instead required that unvaccinated employees wear masks. Unvaccinated workers who provide direct patient care or who work in patient care areas must wear a mask during the flu season.

The union objects to the masks, saying there is no evidence they prevent the spread of infection. But a hospital spokeswoman said the change in policy, along with efforts to educate employees, has succeeded in boosting vaccination rates: Since the masking requirement was introduced, employee vaccination rates rose from 75 percent in 2014 to 90 percent in 2015.

Hospitals were not included in the report issued Tuesday. A separate report on hospitals remains incomplete, but DeMaria provided an overview. Of 74 hospitals reporting, he said, more than half had employee vaccination rates of 90 percent or greater. Thirty-one percent were at 85 to 89 percent.

DeMaria said the hospitals have been gradually getting better at ensuring workers are vaccinated, but wide differences still exist.

Although much of the vaccination effort has focused on hospitals, DeMaria said nursing homes are a bigger concern, because staff and patients interact closely over longer periods of time and the residents are so frail. Also, he said, studies have shown that nursing homes with high vaccination rates have lower mortality, while the evidence for the value of vaccinating workers in other settings is less strong.

Among nursing homes, 351 of the 419 homes in Massachusetts filed reports for the 2015-2016 flu season, showing that 73 percent of employees were vaccinated on average. Ninety-eight nursing homes had vaccinated more than 90 percent of workers.

Nikko B. Mendoza, spokesman for 1199SEIU United Healthcare Workers East, a union that represents many nursing home workers, said the union encourages workers to get vaccinated but opposes mandating it.

The Department of Public Health requires licensed health care facilities to report influenza vaccine coverage among employees, but compliance by outpatient facilities is spotty.

Among clinics — a broad category that includes doctors' and dentists' offices, counseling centers, urgent care centers, and community health centers, among others — only 142 of the 326 reported vaccination rates. An average of 66 percent of employees at those facilities were vaccinated. But 38 clinics managed to vaccinate 90 percent or more of employees.

The vaccination rate was 76 percent at rest homes and 63 percent at adult day health centers.

Felice J. Freyer can be reached at felice.freyer@globe.com. Follow her on Twitter @felicefreyer

'I am so blessed to have her in my life and can think of no child so deserving of having a gift this holiday season. When I asked her what she wants for Christmas, she just smiled . . . gave me a hug and said, "I just want to spend it with my family.'"

FATHER'S LETTER TO GLOBE SANTA



JUSTIN SAGLIO FOR THE BOSTON GLOBE

Globe Santa stopped by Tiki Island Restaurant in Medford this week to meet with the generous members of the Kiwanis Club who had raised \$3,500 to help Santa fill his sleigh for Christmas morning.

Disabled father asks for gifts for helpful daughter

By Christopher Tangney

GLOBE SANTA STAFF

Most single parents know the feeling: Every day offers one challenge or another, often many at the same time. Financial, emotional, practical, medical, and logistical, they dominate a family's days and nights.

A father who lives in a town southwest of Boston offered a case in point in his letter to Globe Santa: "This holiday season finds our family in financial distress," he wrote. "I was disabled from an injury sustained at work and also subsequently diagnosed with stage 3 late-disseminated Lyme disease that I am currently in treatment for."

It's not unusual in times like these for the young members of a family to move past what they lack in material goods and focus on a greater gift — the love of family and the safety and security of a home to call their own.

The father has three children, the youngest an 11-year-old daughter, and for much of the time they are the caretakers at home. The daughter is the only one of the three who is eligible to receive gifts from Globe Santa, and his letter speaks to his prayer that she

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will have a bright Christmas Day.

"She helps out the household by giving her hand-capped father a hand, without prompting, every chance she gets," the father said, adding that her two siblings are also helpful, caring children. "Her

help is always praised and appreciated, but never expected. She makes her bed and picks up after herself. Always completes her homework upon arriving home from school and helps set the table and clean up.

"I am so blessed to have her in my life and can think of no child so deserving of having a gift this holiday season," his letter concluded. "When I asked her what she wants for Christmas, she just smiled, came over, and gave me a hug and said, 'I just want to spend it with my family.'"

His daughter, and tens of thousands of other deserving children, will find a reason to enjoy their holiday under their trees on Christmas morning, thanks to the contributions of individuals, institutions, and businesses that donate generously each year to Globe Santa, a program of The Boston Globe Foundation.

Last year, Santa delivered toys, clothes, and books to 35,223 children from 19,780 families in 196 neighborhoods. He plans on doing the same, or much more, this year.

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City says it won't support bag ban

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strong piece of legislation because we are going to wait and see what comes out in May," O'Malley said. "We have waited long enough for this. This is a good piece of legislation."

O'Malley said he and Wu will continue to press the measure next year.

Tuesday's hearing was held by the council's Government Operations Committee and drew speeches from environmental advocates, bag industry representatives, and community activists, who said the council should to take up more pressing matters like violence.

Wu said the bag ordinance might seem small compared to other issues, but she argued that the council has the ability to juggle multiple important issues well. Since this summer there have been three public sessions on the proposal and an online survey that received more than 700 responses.

O'Malley and Wu argued that the thin plastic bags at supermarkets, pharmacies, and

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JON HURST President, Retailers Association of Massachusetts, on the group's opposition to the proposed legislation

convenience stores litter trees, parking lots, and city streets. They urged thicker bags — like the kind often used by bookstores — and the 5-cent fee. The fee, they both argued, aimed to encourage shoppers to reuse their shopping bags.

But retailers said the fee amounted to another tax on cash-strapped consumers and said it would also hurt small businesses.

"We hear a lot about angry voters," testified Jon Hurst, president of the Retailers Association of Massachusetts, which represents 4,000 members. "Small businesses are angry, too."

In his testimony, Spector said that in the spring, the city participated in the Boston Zero Waste Summit, which addressed innovative approaches to reducing solid wastes of all types. Summit participants later drafted a set of principles that Spector said will provide the framework for the city's "zero-waste" approach.

Next year, he added, the city will launch a public planning process to establish solid-waste reduction goals and identify and implement policies to achieve them.

"We think any specific actions directed toward plastic bags should be considered as part of that comprehensive approach," he said.

Boston is also participating in a waste study with Providence; Cambridge; Seattle; San Francisco; New York City; Surrey, British Columbia; and Portland, Maine.

But O'Malley said that Boston has been "late" on this issue and urged Spector to work with the administration on the matter. Cambridge requires a minimum cost of 10 cents per plastic bag in most stores, according to new regulations that went into effect earlier this year. Brookline instituted a similar ban on disposable plastic bags in 2012.

"Now more than ever it is going to be up to cities, towns, and states to lead on environmental legislation," he said. "That has never been more clear."

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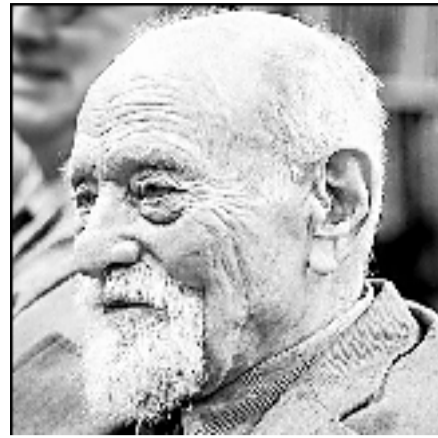
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Pioneering Brain Scientist at MIT

Richard M. Held, MIT Neuroscientist, died on November 22, 2016 in Northampton, MA. Born in Manhattan in 1922, Held attended Stuyvesant High School, and received a BS in Engineering from Columbia University. After serving as a Radar Officer in the U.S. Navy aboard an aircraft carrier during WWII, he studied gestalt psychology with Wolfgang Kohler at Swarthmore College and obtained his PhD in Experimental Psychology from Harvard in 1952. He was subsequently named Chair of the recently formed Psychology Department at Brandeis University. In 1962 he moved to the Massachusetts

Institute of Technology where he was named Chair of the Department of Psychology and Brain Science 1977. Held is recognized internationally for his trailblazing work in human perception. The recipient of three honorary degrees, numerous international awards and a fellowship at the Princeton Institute for Advanced Studies under J. Robert Oppenheimer. He was a member of the National Academy of Sciences and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. Additional information can be found on his eponymous website. He is survived by his wife of 65 years, Doris Bernays Held, his three children, Lucas, Julia and Andrew, and two grandchildren, Caleb and Tye-Hen-



ry Martin. Donations in his memory may be made to Project Prakash, 955 Massachusetts Avenue, Suite 351, Cambridge, MA 02139. A memorial service is planned for the spring in Cambridge.

KILLION, John Michael

John Michael Killion, of Attleboro, died December 9, 2016, age 53. He was son of John J. Killion, MD of Attleboro and the late Anita (Thibault) Killion. He was father of Bryana Killion and her husband Sean Fogarty of Cranston, RI, Emma, Jay and Ayla Killion. He also leaves six siblings. He was a graduate of Bishop Feehan High School, 1981; received his B.A. from Providence College in 1985 and was employed by Reliant Medical Group as Vice President of Payor Contracting

and Provider Network Development.

Visiting Hours: will be Friday, December 16, from 4-8 p.m. in the Sperry & McHoul Funeral Home, 15 Grove Street, North Attleboro. Mass will be Saturday, December 17, at 11 a.m. at St. John the Evangelist Church, 133 North Main Street, Attleboro. In lieu of flowers donations to the National Brain Tumor Society at www.braintumor.org

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ALLEN, Neon "D.J. Spooogie"

Dec. 2, beloved son of Merlene Barnes of Dorchester. Devoted brother of Veon Maisonet and Ewon Allen both of Dorchester. Grandson of Phyllis and Delroy Nelson of Mattapan & Kenneth Barnes of Dorchester. Uncle of Hermoni Maisonet, Hemoni Maisonet and Christine Allen all of Dorchester. Funeral Service in Berea Seventh Day Adventist Church, 108 Seaver St., Boston, Fri., Dec. 16, at 11 o'clock. Visitation at the church, 10 - 11 a.m. Interment Private. For further information please visit www.dolanfuneral.com

BALDASSARRE, Rose M. (Gangi)



Of Somerville, Dec. 12. Beloved wife of the late Joseph A. Baldassarre M.D. Devoted mother of Marcia Baldassarre, Joseph Baldassarre and his wife Elaine, all of Woburn, and John Baldassarre and his wife Sharon of Nashua, NH. Loving grandmother of Joseph, Jillian, Michael, and the late John Paul, Jacqueline, and Alicia. Loving great grandmother of Hailey, Heaven, Noelle, Kelsey, Christiano, Grace, and Everly. Sister of the late Dominic Gangi and his wife Ida. Also survived by many loving nieces and nephews. Special thanks to caregivers Veronica Carrington and Oumou Barry. Funeral from the Dello Russo Funeral Home, 306 Main St., Medford, Monday, Dec. 19 at 9 AM followed by a Funeral Mass celebrated in St. Clement Church, 71 Warner St., Medford, at 10 AM. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend. Services will conclude with burial at Oak Grove Cemetery, Medford. Visiting hours Sunday 4 - 8 PM. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be sent in Rose's name to Lahey Clinic, 41 Mall Rd., Burlington, MA 01805. To leave a message of condolence visit www.dellorosso.net.

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BLAISDELL, Kathleen "Kathy"



Of Marshfield, passed away on December 8, 2016 after a courageous battle with pancreatic cancer, at the age of 70. Kathy leaves her loving companion of 33 years, Philip W. Dunn, a brother, Frederick Wyman Jr., and his wife Haydee of Texas, a sister, Elaine Rogers and her husband Wayne of California, and a son, Linwood E. "Woody" Blaisdell of Kingston. Predeceased by her sister JoAnne Coulstring, and her parents, Fred and Louise Paulding Wyman. She is the beloved grandmother of Tristan, Nicole, Rachael, Tyler, Patrick, Sydney, Linwood III, Maggie, and Harry and dear friend, Barbara Wynn. Dolores and Paul Dunn, Linda and Brian Dunn, and Julie (Blaisdell) DiGiacomo and many close friends. Kathy was born in Weymouth and graduated from Hanover High School in 1964. In her early years, she loved horseback riding. Kathy resided along the South Shore, ultimately calling Marshfield her home. Many knew Kathy as their beloved bartender of four decades, who raised spirits while serving spirits. When Kathy wasn't traveling, bartending, or sunning herself at the beach with family and friends, she was found playing with her grandchildren. Kathy was considered the "Cool Nana" and established her own "Nana's Daycare". She participated in countless games of Candyland, directed homemade plays, watched Teletubbies and Sesame Street, went bridge jumping, sledding, bowling, and visited Canobie Lake Park, Saquish, and of course the Marshfield Fair. Kathy was very creative in making customized birthday cakes for her grandchildren. She never missed the opportunity to dress up for Halloween and parade around with the grandkids. Her grandchildren's friends adored her and also called her "Nana Kathy". She attended every birthday party, school play, Tumblefun Olympics, countless kids' sporting events, and saw the girls off to the prom. One of her happiest memories was watching her granddaughter recently graduate from high school. Kathy will always be remembered for her kindness and humor, her free spirit, her fun adventures and love of life. She always showed her positive nature, determination, and compassion. Kathy was loved by all who knew her and will be greatly missed. Visiting hours will be held on Saturday, December 17, 2016 from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. at the MacDonald Funeral Home, 1755 Ocean Street (Rte. 139) in MARSHFIELD and will conclude with a Memorial Service at 5:00 p.m. also at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers donations in Kathy's name can be made to Cranberry Hospice at 36 Cordage Park Circle, Plymouth, MA 02360 or the Norwell VNA, 120 Longwater Drive, Norwell, MA 02061. For online guestbook and driving directions please visit our website macdonaldfuneral-home.com

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BOYLE, Helen L. (Baldyga)

Of Burlington, formerly of Salem, Dec. 12. Beloved wife of 53 years of Charles C. Loving mother of Christopher & his wife Jacqueline of Burlington, Victoria McMahan of Burlington, Edward of Lowell, Matthew & his wife Lisa of Doylestown, PA, and Mary Beth Helstrom & her husband Mike of Wilmington. Grandmother of Lauren, Kimberly, Christopher, Mackenzie, & Connor Boyle, James & Matthew McMahan, and Sarah & William Helstrom. Also survived by many loving nieces and nephews. Funeral from the Edward V. Sullivan Funeral Home, 43 Winn St., BURLINGTON (exit 34 off Rt. 128/95, Woburn side) on Friday, December 16 at 9 a.m. Followed by a Mass of Christian Burial in St. Margaret's Church, 111 Winn St., Burlington, at 10 a.m. Visiting hours Thursday from 4-8 p.m. Interment in Pine Haven Cemetery, Burlington. Memorials in Helen's name may be made to the Jimmy Fund, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, P.O. Box 849168, Boston, MA 02284-9168 or www.jimmyfund.org. For directions obituary & online guestbook see www.stmargaretburlington.org or www.sullivanfuneralhome.net

BRONSTEIN, Sewall P.

Sewall was born in Bangor, Maine to John and Francis Bronstein. He graduated from Carnegie Tech University. He proudly served his country in the United States Army Air Core as a Lieutenant and Flight Engineer where he flew B-29 planes in the 444 Bomb Group in World War II. He continued his education at Boston University Law School receiving his law degree and Georgetown University Law School receiving a Master's in patent law. Sewall went on to practice patent law where he had a long, successful career as a Litigation Attorney and Managing Partner at Dike, Bronstein, Roberts and Cushman.

Sewall is survived by his four children Janet Rosetti (Peter), Roger Bronstein (Gayle), Gail Marshall and Richard Bronstein (Lisa), six grandchildren Lisa Perelmutter (Brian), Kimberly Haywood (Douglas), Lauryn Cohen (Evan), Jordan Bronstein (Kim), Matthew Bronstein (Ashley), Leah Bronstein, six great-grand children, David and Melissa Perelmutter, Connor and Liam Haywood, Aiden and Dylan Cohen. He is pre-deceased by his wife of 58 years, Julie Bronstein who he loved and adored.

To Sewall, no accomplishment was greater than his incredible love and devotion to his family. His strength and spirit was an inspiration to everyone who was fortunate to know him.

A funeral service is scheduled for Thursday, December 15, 2016 at 10:00 am at Temple Beit Hayam, 951 SE Monterey Commons Blvd, Stuart, FL 34996 with Rabbi Matthew Durbin officiating immediately followed by a graveside service at Fernhill Memorial Gardens at 11:30 am with full military honors.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of Martin Funeral Home and Crematory, 961 S. Kanner Highway, Stuart, FL 34994. (772) 223-5550. Online condolences can be made by visiting www.Martin-Funeral.com.

Memorial gifts and donations in kind honoring Sewall Bronstein can be made to Multiple Myeloma Research Foundation, 383 Main Avenue, 5th Floor., Norwalk, CT 06851 or by visiting online at THEMMRF.org

BURKE, Rosemary T. (Holland)

Of Melrose, passed away peacefully, with family members by her side, on December 10. Beloved wife of John F. Burke. Loving mother John and his wife Helen of MD, the late Dennis and his wife Theresa Melnikas and her husband Andrew of North Andover, Joseph and his wife Lisa of North Andover, Stephen and his wife Karen of North Andover, Matthew and his wife Colleen of Woburn, Maureen Wozniak and her husband Matthew of CO, Julie Gage and her husband Mark of Melrose and the late Jeanne Burke. Also survived by 25 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren and predeceased by grandchildren Allison and Kevin Burke. Rosemary was the beloved sister of Joseph (Charlie) Holland of Billerica, John Holland of Walpole and the late Denise (Holland) Bussiere of Waltham. Rosemary had retired after serving as the chaplain at Lawrence Memorial Hospital in Medford. Family and friends are kindly invited to gather and share memories with the family on Wednesday December 14th from 4-8 pm in the Barile Family Funeral Home 482 Main St., (Rte. 28), STONEHAM. A funeral mass, celebrating Rosemary's eternal life, will be held Thursday, December 15 in St. Patrick Church, 71 Central St., Stoneham at 10 am. Burial to follow Wyoming Cemetery, Melrose. Please consider donations, in memory of Rosemary, to Catholic Charities, 51 Sleeper St., Boston, MA 02110.

BURNS, Ellen C. (Markell-Burke)

89 years of age. Of Charlestown, December 11, 2016. Beloved wife of the late Thomas F. Burns. Devoted mother of Laney Burns, Tommy Burns, Paul Burns, & Jimmy Burns. Loving Nana to 8 grandchildren & 5 great-grandchildren. Beloved sister of the late Virginia Kinsley. Relatives & friends are invited to attend Ellen's visiting hours on Thursday from 3 to 7 P.M. in The Carr Funeral Home, 220 Bunker Hill St., CHARLESTOWN. Her Funeral Service & burial are private. In lieu of flowers, kindly make a memorial donation in Ellen's name to the Charlestown Boys and Girls Club, 15 Green St., Charlestown, MA 02129. For obituary, directions, and online condolences, www.carrfuneral.com

BURNS, Ruth (Powers)

Of North Hill, Needham, formerly of Wellesley, December 13. Beloved wife of the late Robert G. Burns, DDS. Visiting hours Wednesday, December 21 from 4-8 p.m. Complete notice on Sunday, December 18.

George F. Doherty & Sons
Wellesley 781-235-4100

CAHILL, Marie C.

Of Stoneham, formerly of Wakefield, December 9. Beloved wife of the late James F. Cahill. Loving mother of James F. Cahill Jr. of Middleton, Thomas J. Cahill and wife Karen of Litchfield Park, AZ and the late Robert C. Cahill. Sister of Josephine Brickley of Stoneham and the late Anthony A. and Arthur C. Antetomaso and Alice Dell'Arciprete. Loving grandmother of Jillian, Cassandra, Ryan, and Kristen. Beloved aunt of Brenda Contilli, Anthony Antetomaso and several other nieces and nephews. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated at St. Joseph Church, 173 Albion St., Wakefield, on Saturday at 10 a.m.

Visitation for relatives and friends will be held at the McDonald Funeral Home, 19 Yale Ave., WAKEFIELD, on Saturday morning prior to the Funeral from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Interment Lakeside Cemetery, Wakefield. For obit/guestbook, www.mcdonaldfs.com

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Funeral Services

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We regret to announce the death of Brother Anthony J. Traficante (retired) on December 10, 2016. Visiting hours will be 4-7 PM Wednesday, December 15, 2016 at the Mercadante Funeral Home, 370 Plantation Street, Worcester, MA. A Funeral Mass will be held Friday, at 10:00 AM in St. Patrick's Church, 290 Main Street, Rutland, MA.

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CONGDON, Ruth

Of Roslindale, December 9, 2016. Beloved daughter of the late Elizabeth Risley of Norwich CT, beloved friend and colleague to many. Ruth graduated from Norwich Free Academy in 1954 and embarked on a long and illustrious career as a health care administrator. Ruth worked for several years at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Providence and spent 23 years as an Administrative Assistant in the Department of Newborn Medicine at Floating Hospital for Children until her retirement in 2010. A devout Christian, Ruth was a member of the Beacon House Baptist Church and for many years was a vibrant participant at the Word of Life Camp in Schroon Lake, NY where she mentored many young people. Ruth will be fondly remembered for her work ethic, her fierce independence, her signature wit, and her uncanny ability to make friends wherever she went, whatever the circumstances. Visitation will be held at the William J. Gormley Funeral Home 2055 Centre St., WEST ROXBURY, Thursday, December 15th from 2:30-4:30 p.m. Relatives and friends invited. Interment private. For directions and guestbook please visit: www.gormleyfuneral.com

William J. Gormley Funeral Service
617-323-8600

COUTURE, Mary Alice

81, of Arlington, formerly of Somerville. Beloved friend of Helen and Vincent Petipas and Family. Also survived by many friends, staff and housemates of Walnut Street Center. Relatives and friends are invited to attend Calling Hours at the George L. Doherty Funeral Home 855 Broadway (Powder House Sq.) Somerville on Sunday afternoon 1-3 pm. For more information please visit dohertyfuneralservice.com.

Doherty Funeral Service, Inc.
Somerville, MA

CULVER, Mary Lee (Oliver)



98, died peacefully at home in Westwood, MA, on December 6, 2016. Born August 3, 1918 in Paces, VA, she had resided in Westwood for 15 years, after 46 years in Dedham. She is preceded in death by her husband, Edward Holland Culver, whom she married in 1942 in Raleigh, NC. She is survived by daughters Lee Fontaine Wallace and her husband Lance of Santa Rosa, CA, and Anne Culver Hawkins of Silver Spring, MD; son Edward Holland Culver, Jr., and his wife Susan of Wayland, MA; and granddaughters Jennings Lee Cameron and her husband Ross and Anne Prentice Culver. She received her Bachelor's degree from Meredith College, Raleigh, NC, in 1940. She was active in many service organizations including St. Paul's Episcopal Church (Dedham) Altar Guild, The Fragment Society, New England Home for Little Wanderers, Colonial Dames of America, Manakin Huguenot Society of Virginia, the Boston Chapter of the National Cathedral Association, and the Women's Committee of the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Clinic. She was especially proud of her work in the 1970s supporting a Vietnamese refugee family sponsored by St. Paul's Church. In addition to serving as a surrogate parent to the four children before they were reunited with their parents, she taught them practical and social skills to pursue their education, identified after-school job opportunities, coached them in skills needed to obtain and maintain these jobs, and advocated on their behalf to gain university admission and scholarships, and eventually to start their careers. They continued to keep in touch with her throughout her life. A Memorial Service will be held at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Dedham on January 14, 2017 at 2 PM. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests that any donations be made to the New England Home for Little Wanderers (www.TheHome.org) or to St. Paul's Church, 59 Court St., Dedham, MA 02026.

Folsom Funeral Home
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CUNNINGHAM, Gerald "Jerry"



In Whitman of Dorchester passed away on December 11, 2016, at the age of 63 after a brief but brave battle with cancer. Cherished father of Erin and her companion Brian, Adam and his companion Lisette, Ryan and his wife Kerri, and their mother Eileen. Adored "Pa" of Sam & Callie. Beloved companion of Christine Murphy. Dear son of the late Gerald and Edna Cunningham. Devoted brother of Joan, Carol, Geraldine and the late Hun. Also survived by many loving nieces, nephews, extended family and friends. Funeral Mass in St. Ann's Church, 243 Neponset Ave., Dorchester on Friday, December 16th at 10 a.m. Interment to follow at Cedar Grove Cemetery. Arrangements by MacKinnon Funeral Home, 760 Washington St., WHITMAN. To send a condolence visit www.mackinnonfuneral.com

DINATALE, John A.

66, entered into eternal rest on November 29, 2016. Born in the Beacon Hill section of Boston, raised in Jamaica Plain, and formerly of Wollaston Beach, Quincy. Beloved son of the late Evelyn L. (Moscaritolo) DiNatale. Beloved son of Anthony J. DiNatale and his wife Jacqueline. Loving brother of Evelyn DiNatale Moriarty, Deborah DiNatale Cicerone, and Dana DiNatale. Also survived by loving nieces and nephews. A Funeral Service will be held on Friday at 10am in Our Lady of the Assumption Church, 17 Grove St, Lynnfield, MA 01940. Interment private. In lieu of flowers, donations in John's memory may be made to: St. Anthony's Shrine, 100 Arch St. Boston, MA 02110. For online condolences: www.bostonharborsidehome.com

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(617) 536-4110

DUKES, William C.

Of Boston, Wed., Dec. 7. Devoted husband of the late Carrie (Battle) Dukes. Beloved father of the late Yvonne Dukes. He leaves to mourn his loss stepchildren, grandchildren, a God Son, Luther Pickney, a special niece, Karen Newkirk, and a host of other relatives and friends.

Visiting hour Sat., Dec. 17, 10-10:30 a.m. at the Columbus Avenue AME Zion Church, 600 Columbus Ave., Boston. Masonic Services at the Church Sat at 10:30 a.m. Funeral Services immediately following the Masonic Services. Relatives and friends most kindly invited. Late member of Union Lodge #1. Interment Fairview Cemetery.

A.J. Spears Funeral Home
Cambridge (617) 876-4047

DUNTON, Patricia K. (Athy)



Of Needham, December 12, 2016 after a long illness. Beloved wife of the late Robert J. Dunton. Loving mother of Nancy Dunton of Rockland, Debbie and Roger Babson of Duxbury, Laurie and Scott Farr of Hanover, NH; Lynn and Charlie Biss-Dunton of Middlebury, VT; Kathy and Bob Lombardi of Harwich. Sister of the late Mary Robertson and Peggy Anderson. Also survived by 11 grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. Visiting hours in the Eaton Funeral Home, 1351 Highland Ave., NEEDHAM on Thursday, December 15th from 4-7 PM. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held in St. Bartholomew Church, 1180 Greendale Ave., Needham, on Friday at 9:30 AM. Interment will follow at St. Mary's Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to VNA Care Hospice, 199 Rosewood Drive, Suite 180, Danvers, MA 01923 or www.vnacarenetwork.org or the MSPCA-Angell, 350 S. Huntington Ave, Boston, MA 02130 or www.mspca.org. Pat's commitment to her family was her lifelong passion. Among her accomplishments was the launch of a later-in-life career at Sunlife of Canada until her retirement. When Pat began volunteering at the Needham Council on Aging she made connections with new friends as well as renewing ties with many longtime pals. Local politics were always of interest to Pat. Pat celebrated her Irish heritage with pride and loved gatherings with her numerous aunt, uncles, and cousins. With her incredible smile, twinkling eyes, and quick wit, Pat made a lasting impression on all whose lives she touched. She was one of the absolute all-time greats! For full obit, directions or to share a memory of Pat, please visit www.eatonfuneralhomes.com

Eaton Funeral Home
781-444-0201

FILOSI, Catherine T. "Kay" (Donahue)

Of Reading, Dec. 12th. Beloved wife of the late Louis Filosi Sr. Mother of Marty Filosi and his late wife Darlene of NH, Louis Filosi Jr. and his wife Connie of Stoneham, Richard Filosi of Reading, Anna Filosi and her husband Jonathan Barnes of Reading, Joseph Filosi and his wife Susan of Middleton and James Filosi and his wife Denise of CT. Sister of the late Dan and Gerald Donahue and Jackie Donahue. Grandmother of Kim, Gina, Nicole, Nadine, Christina, Wyle, Danielle, Derek and Katie. Great-grandmother of Nicholas, Jenna, Ashley, Sabine, Charlotte, Zachery, Andrew, Alexander, Russell, Allison and Samuel. Kay is also survived by many loving nieces and nephews and extended family. Funeral from the Cota Funeral Home, 335 Park St. (corner of Park St. and Rte.28), NORTH READING, at Reading line on Friday, Dec. 16th at 9 a.m. Funeral Mass in St. Patrick's Church, 71 Central St., Stoneham at 10 a.m. Relatives and friends may visit the funeral home on Thursday from 4-8 p.m. Interment Forest Glen Cemetery, Reading. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Kay's name to St. Jude Hospital for Children, 501 St. Jude Pl., Memphis, TN 38105-1905.

Cota Family Funeral Home and Cremation Services
North Reading
978-664-4340/781-944-1765

FULLERTON, Francis Manus "Frank"



87, of Norwood, Thursday December 8. Son of the late William and Mary (Doherty) Fullerton. Beloved husband of 63 years of Rosemary (Mooney) Fullerton. Devoted father of Linda Boyer and her husband Raymond of Bellingham, Stephen Fullerton of Portsmouth RI, Lisa Fullerton O'Brien and her husband Kevin of Sudbury, and John Fullerton and his wife Nancy of Mansfield. Beloved Patu of his 11 grandchildren; Eric, Evan, Emily, and Ethan Fullerton, Katie, Matt, and Conor O'Brien, and Johnny, Alex, Daniel, and Mary Fullerton. Brother of the late William, Greta, Daniel, and Robert. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. United States Marine Corps. WWII Veteran, and retired Civil Engineer for Chas. T. Main Co. of Boston. Visiting Hours 4 - 8 Friday December 16 in the Gillooly Funeral Home, 126 Walpole St. (Rt. 1A), NORWOOD. Funeral Saturday December 17 from the Gillooly Funeral Home at 10 AM followed by a Mass of Christian Burial in St. Catherine of Siena Church, Norwood at 11. Interment Forest Hills Cemetery, Jamaica Plain. Expressions of sympathy may be made in Frank's memory to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, P.O. Box 1000, Dept. 142, Memphis, TN 38148-0142.

Gillooly Funeral Home
Norwood (781) 762-0174
www.gilloolyfuneralhome.com

GARZONE, Rose G. (Spada)

Of East Walpole formerly of Randolph and Roslindale, December 13, 2016, age 88. Beloved wife of the late George W. Garzone. Loving mother of George S. Garzone of Bridgewater and Roseanne G. Sidebottom of East Walpole. Cherished grandmother of Arthur Ackles of Wrentham, Michael Sidebottom of East Walpole, Anthony Garzone of Colorado, and Lana Eldridge of Halifax and great grandmother of Ryan Ackles, Nathan Ackles, Josephine Eldridge, and Charles Eldridge. Sister of Albert Spada of Wilmington, the late Rocco Spada, Joseph Spada, Frank Spada, John Spada, and Theresa Senesi. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Relatives and friends are kindly invited to attend Rose's Life Celebration on Thursday from 4-8 PM and Friday from 9-9:30 AM in the James H. Delaney & Son Funeral Home, 48 Common Street, WALPOLE. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated in Blessed Sacrament Church, 10 Diamond Street, Walpole on Friday at 10 AM. Interment will follow in Saint Francis Cemetery in Walpole. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to: The American Diabetes Association, 10 Speen Street, Framingham, MA 01701.

Delaney Funeral Home
www.delaneyfuneral.com

GENTILE, Daniel Jon

Of Westwood, December 11, 2016. Son of Valerie J. (Weeks) Sullivan and the late Vittorio Carmine Gentile. Brother of Victor Gentile and Christopher Gentile both of Westwood. Loving father of Brantley Gentile. Loving grandson of Vittorio "Victor" Gentile and Lydia (Carlevaro) Gentile of Westwood and the late Lloyd and Joan Weeks. Daniel is also survived by his beloved friend Kristi Balis. Uncle of Victor Gentile IV and Gianna Gentile. Funeral Friday, December 16, 2016 at 9 AM from the Joseph Russo Funeral Home, 814 American Legion Hwy (nr Cummins Hwy), ROSLINDALE, followed by a Funeral Mass in Sacred Heart Church Roslindale at 10 AM. Relatives and friends are invited to attend visiting hours Thursday 4-8 PM. Entombment in St. Michael Cemetery Roslindale. Directions and Guest Book at www.josephrussosfuneralhome.com

Visiting Hours: Thursday 4-7 PM

GIOVANNIELLO, Rocco "Rocky"

Worked for over thirty years at MWRA

Of Winthrop, formerly of East Boston, passed away peacefully on Monday, December 12th. Beloved husband of Sherry (Darabos) Giovannello. Devoted step-father of Jim Freeman and wife Lisa, Jeff Freeman and wife Heather, all of Michigan. Loving brother of John Giovannello of East Boston, Richard Giovannello and wife Andrea of Saugus, Robert Giovannello and wife Patricia of East Boston, and the late Anthony Giovannello. Cherished uncle of Vanessa, Nikkii, and Maria. Dear step-grandfather of Cheyenne and Jadie Freeman. Also survived by his many adored aunts, uncles, and cousins. Family and friends will honor Rocky's life by gathering in the Ruggiero Family Memorial Home, 971 Saratoga Street, (Orient Heights) East Boston, on Thursday December 15th, from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM, and again on Friday morning from 8:30 AM to 9:30 AM, before leaving in procession to the Chapel at Woodlawn Cemetery, for a service at 10:00 AM. Cremation services to follow. Past member of Mystic Valley Gun Club, Winthrop Elks, and former employee of The MWRA for over thirty years. In honoring Rocky's life, in lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to The American Kidney Fund, 6110 Executive Boulevard, Rockville, MD 20852. The funeral home is handicapped accessible and a children's lounge is available. Courtesy valet parking is located at the front entrance along with ample off street parking with attendants in our parking lots. For complimentary transportation to the funeral home please call 617-569-0990. For more information, please visit www.ruggieromh.com

Ruggiero Family Memorial Home
East Boston 617-569-0990

HAYWARD, Dwight M.

76, of Chelmsford, formerly of Montpelier, December 10, 2016. Son of the late Lloyd and Marian (Travis) Hayward. Husband of Cynthia (Wheaton) Hayward. Father of William Hayward and his wife Lauren and Jill Wagner and her husband William. Grandfather of Justin, Madison and Jessica. Graduate of Dartmouth College and the Tuck School of Business. Career CPA, retiring from PricewaterhouseCoopers in 2006. Visiting hours on Friday, December 16 from 4-7 p.m. in the Blake Funeral Home, 24 Worthen St., CHELMSFORD. In lieu of flowers, donations "In the Memory of Dwight M. Hayward" may be made to the Chelmsford Dog Association c/o Merrill, 23 Maple Rd., Chelmsford, MA 01824. For complete obituary visit chelmsfordfuneralhome.com and visit us on Facebook.

HELD, Richard M.

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HENRY, Philip J.

Of Walpole 45yrs. formerly of Norwood, passed away on Dec. 13, 2016 at the age of 73. Son of the late Philip J. Henry and Bernadette (Reissfelder) Johnson and his late Stepfather J. Robert Johnson. Father of Heather K. Molly and her husband Robert of Foxboro, Brandi L. Surace and her husband Chad of ME and Lori A. Henry of ME. Brother of Donna Nunes and her husband Frank Sr. of Falmouth, Richard J. Henry and his wife Jill of Falmouth, Mark E. Henry and his wife Victoria of Norwood and Gale Burke of Westwood. Cherished grandfather of Stephanie, Christopher, Mitchell and Mason. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Philip was a member of the Walpole VFW. A funeral home service will be held on Saturday, Dec. 17, 2016, 12 Noon at the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, 1248 Washington St., NORWOOD, MA.

Visiting hours will be held on Saturday, Dec. 17, 2016, from 9am-12noon. At the request of the family burial will be private. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his name to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

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HOGAN, Robert D.

Of Roslindale formerly of Roxbury, Dec. 10th 2016. Beloved son of the late Laurence and Muriel Hogan. Devoted brother of William P. Hogan of Falmouth, Francis J. Hogan of Haverhill and the late Laurence, Frederick and Marilyn Coveney. Also survived by many nieces and nephews and his best friend "Prince". Funeral Service and Interment will be private. For guestbook please visit www.gormleyfuneral.com

William J. Gormley Funeral Service
617-323-8600

JOYCE, Annellen



Of North Weymouth, formerly of Newton and Scituate, died December 12, 2016 at the age of 57. Annellen was an employee of Granite Payroll in Quincy. She was an incredibly proud aunt and became a fan of the Hingham Harbormen hockey and baseball teams. She will be remembered for her dry sense of humor and her quick wit. She was the daughter of the late Marie R. and Robert J. Joyce. Loving sister of Kathleen Joyce-Deihl of Lively, VA and Eileen J. Driscoll and her husband Tim of Hingham. Cherished aunt of Lee Deihl, Nolan Driscoll, Andrew Driscoll and 1 great nephew, Kayson Deihl. Also survived by aunts, uncles, cousins and extended family. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend the visiting hours on Thursday 4-8 PM in the McDonald Keohane Funeral Home NORTH WEYMOUTH at 40 Sea Street (off Route 3A - Bicknell Square). Relatives and friends will gather in the Funeral Home at 9:45 AM on Friday prior to the Funeral Mass in St. Jerome Church, Weymouth, at 10:30 AM. Burial in Newton Cemetery. Donations in memory of Annellen may be made to Hospice of the South Shore, 30 Reservoir Park Dr., Rockland, MA 02370. See www.Keohane.com for directions and online condolences or call 781-335-0045.

JOYCE, George H., Jr.

94, formerly of Watertown, MA, passed away Sunday, December 4, 2016. Mr. Joyce was a veteran of the U.S. Army during WWII. He was an active member of St. John's Methodist Church, a member of the Masonic Lodge, and a Shriner. He loved to travel the world but always came back to his beloved Cape Cod.

He is survived by his loving wife of 67 years, Eileen; a daughter, Cathie Joyce of Greenville, SC; two sons, George H. "Chip" Joyce, III (Mary Yezard) of Watertown, MA and William D. "Bill" Joyce (Lisa S.) of Aiken, SC; and three granddaughters, Claire, Amanda, and Rachel.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, December 17, 2016, at 1pm in the Chapel of The Mackey Mortuary. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Shriners Hospital for Children, 51 Blossom St. Boston, MA 02114. Online guest registry available at www.mackeymortuary.com

Mackey Mortuary, 311 Century Dr.
Greenville, SC 29607
864-232-6706

KENEFICK, John M.

In Brookline, on December 8, 2016. Beloved son of the late James W. Kenefick and Dorothy T. (Laham) Kenefick. Loving brother of James W. Kenefick, Jr. and wife Maureen of Brookline, Dorothy Sweeney and husband William of Halifax and the late Marjory A. Coyne and her surviving husband Paul of North Boston. Also survived by several nieces and nephews and their families. Late Army Veteran Vietnam War and late employee Pine Manor College. Visitation will be held on Thursday morning December 15, 2016 in the Bell-O'Dea Funeral Home, 376 Washington St., Brookline, from 9:30 - 11:30, followed by a Funeral Service at 11:30. Interment, Walnut Hills Cemetery. www.bellodeafh.com

KILLION, John Michael

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LAMB, Aaron B.

Of Melrose, age 38, unexpectedly on Dec. 11, 2016. Cherished husband and best friend to Margrethe E. B. Flanders with whom he shared 11 years of marriage. Devoted son of Judy Lamb of Madison, WI, and the late Craig Lamb. Beloved son-in-law of Birgitte and Rev. Alden Flanders of N. Andover. Caring brother-in-law of Christian Flanders of New York City and his fiance Emeli Lonnqvist of Stockholm, Sweden. Also survived by several loving aunts, uncles, and cousins. Relatives and friends are invited to gather in honor of Aaron's life for a Memorial Service at the Robinson Funeral Home, 809 Main St., MELROSE celebrated on Saturday, December 17 at 10:00am. In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Aaron may be made to the Innocence Project, 40 Worth St., Ste. 701, New York, NY 10013, Attn: Development or via www.innocenceproject.org. For online tribute, or directions visit www.robinsonfuneralhome.com.

Robinson Funeral Home
Melrose (781) 665-1900

LASKOW-TUCKER, Elaine

Of Westborough, MA, on December 12, 2016. Beloved wife of Howard Tucker and the late Seymour Laskow. Devoted mother of Vicki Syat and her husband Lenny, Paul Laskow and his wife Lydia, David Laskow and his wife Jeannie Lafferty, Lisa Lahey and her husband Bill. Dear grandmother of Beth Syat and her husband Brian Diesenhaus, Stefanie Syat and her husband Jacob Gordon, Vanessa Smith, Sarah Laskow and her husband Ben Furnas and Bari Laskow, Zachary Lahey and his wife Michelle, and Maxwell Lahey. Loving great grandmother of Theo and Zac Diesenhaus and Ruby Gordon. Loving sister of Gladys Friedman and her husband Fred. Services at Sharon Memorial Park Chapel, 40 Dedham St., Sharon, on Wednesday, December 14, 2016 at 2:00pm. Following the interment memorial observance will be held at the residence of Beth Syat and Brian Diesenhaus until 8:30pm, and Thursday 6:30-9:00 pm. In lieu of flowers remembrances may be made to The American Cancer Society, 30 Speen St., Framingham, MA 01701

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LEACH, Maryalice (Fargo)

Of Melrose, December 6, 2016. Beloved wife of the late Maj. George A. Leach Jr., USAF retired, to whom she was married for over 60 years. Devoted mother of George A. Leach of Melrose, David A. Leach and his wife Nina of Watchung, NJ, and Thomas A. Leach and his wife VeAnn of Melrose, and the late Laurel A. Leach. Dear sister of Nancy Poirier of Tucson, AZ, William Fargo of Medford, and the late Elizabeth Kenney, Edward Fargo, Barbara Brennan, and Patricia Sollitto. Cherished grandmother of Megan, Timothy, Carolyn, Abigail and CJ Leach. Many dearly loved nieces and nephews mourn her loss. Relatives and friends are invited to gather in honor and remembrance of Maryalice's life at Most Blessed Sacrament Church, 1155 Main St., Wakefield for her Funeral Mass celebrated on Friday, December 16 at 10 am. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in her memory to St. Michael Indian School, PO Box 650, St. Michaels, AZ 86511 or United Negro College Fund, 1805 7th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20001. For online tribute, or directions visit RobinsonFuneralHome.com

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LILLIS, Catherine Margaret

On Saturday, December 10, 2016, of Falls Church, VA. Born in MA to the late Joseph and Helen Clinton. Wife of the late James F. Lillis and mother of the late Christopher Lillis. Mother of Patrick, James, Jr., Catherine M., Gerard, John, William, Robert and Michael Lillis. Also survived by 18 grandchildren, 17 great grandchildren and 1 great-great grandchild. The family will receive friends on Friday, December 16, 2016 from 3pm to 5pm & 7pm to 9pm at Murphy Funeral Home, 1102 W. Broad Street, Falls Church, VA. A funeral mass will be held at 10am on Saturday, December 17, 2016, at St. James Catholic Church. Catherine will be laid to rest with her husband at Arlington National Cemetery at a later date. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions can be made to St. James Catholic Church Building Fund, 905 Park Avenue, Falls Church, VA 22046. www.murphyfuneralhomes.com

MARTAKOS, Ruth R. (Robinson)

Of Wakefield, formerly of Lynnfield, December 12, 2016. Devoted mother of Karen E. Martakos and her partner Christopher Blue of Arlington. Cherished sister of Elaine Hornbeck of Pelham, NH, Howard B. Robinson, Jr. of Amherst NH and the late Diane Robinson. Visiting hours will be held on Saturday, December 17, at the Douglass, Edgerley and Bessom Funeral Home, 25 Sanborn St. (corner of Woburn St.) in READING from 1:00pm - 4:00pm. Funeral services and burial are private. In lieu of flowers contributions may be made in Ruth's memory to the American Cancer Society, 30 Speen St., Framingham, MA 01701. Please ear mark for breast cancer research. For directions and on line guest book visit johnbdouglassfuneralhome.com

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Obituaries

McCANN, Roger J.



Age 89, Sun., Nov. 20, 2016. Graduate of Bentley College. Retired from Blue Cross of MA & ME. Beloved husband of Rita (Desrosiers) McCann; father of Kathleen (McCann) Dion of Sandwich, Liz Gallagher and her husband Rick of Framingham, Emily Franklin and her husband James of Franklin & Stefani McCann of Newport, RI. Also survived by grandchildren: Ashley, Brennan, Katherine & Joseph. Great grandchildren: Vincent & Conall. Funeral Mass will be Sat., Dec. 17th, 11am at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 111 Exchange St., Millis. Visiting hrs will be Fri. 3-5PM at the Roberts Mitchell FH, 90 Curve St., MILLIS. See www.robertsmitchell.com for additional information.

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McGOVERN, James Louis

Of Bellingham formerly of Dover, December 11, 2016, age 78. Beloved husband of the late Carol (Hutchinson) McGovern. Father of Kelly McGovern of Natick, Joseph McGovern and his wife Ella of Florida, Linda Eckles and her husband Steven of Sherborn, Donna McGovern of Natick, Lori Stephenson of Natick, and Cocoa McGovern and Gary Reichert of Bellingham. Grandfather of Chelsea, James, Carly, John, Geoffrey, Izzie, Matthew, Craig, Mary, Clare, and Grace and great-grandfather of Gabriel, Michael, and Leo. Brother of Gail Kilkenny and her husband John of Williamsburg, Virginia, Ann Delaney and her husband Ed of Indianapolis, Indiana, Patty McGovern of Columbia, South Carolina, the late George McGovern and his wife Mary of Virginia Beach, and the late John McGovern. Relatives and friends are kindly invited to attend the wake on Friday from 4-7 PM and Saturday from 9-9:30 AM in the James H. Delaney & Son Funeral Home, 48 Common Street, WALPOLE. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at the Blessed Sacrament Church, 10 Diamond Street, Walpole on Saturday at 10 AM. Interment will be private. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to: Saint Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105-9959.

**Delaney Funeral Home
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MORLEY, Joan D. (Redmond)

Age 79, of Tewksbury, formerly of South Boston, South End, Norfolk and Peabody, passed away December 9, 2016. Beloved wife of Edward L. Morley. Mother of Judith Connolly of Bellingham, Stephen Morley of E. Greenwich, RI, Kenneth Morley of Prescott, AZ and Christopher Morley of Lowell. Sister of John Redmond of Merrimack, Carole Connor and Judith Orlando both of Walpole, Rita Parvey of Gardner, Patricia Coughlin of Wrentham, and the late Paul Redmond and Thomas Redmond. She leaves ten grandchildren, many nieces and nephews. Calling hours are Friday, December 16, from 4-8 p.m. at the Farmer & Dee Funeral Home, 16 Lee St., Tewksbury. Her funeral will be held Saturday, Dec. 17 at 10 a.m. from the funeral home, followed by her Funeral Mass at 11 a.m. at St. Williams Church, 1351 Main St., Rte. 38, Tewksbury. Interment at St. Mary Cemetery, Tewksbury. In lieu of flowers, donations in her memory may be made to the Salvation Army, 150 Appleton St., Lowell, MA 01852. www.farmeranddee.com

MORRIS, Gloria E. (Gerbi)



Age 93 of Littleton, Dec. 9, 2016. Wife of the late Andrew (Mel) Morris. Survivors include her daughters Barbara Ann Woodroof and son-in-law George Woodroof of Gunter, TX and Adrianna Morris and daughter-in-law Melisenda McDonald of Westford. She was preceded in death by her brother John Gerbi and sister-in-law Maria Gerbi. Family and friends will gather to honor and remember Gloria's life for calling hours on Thursday, Dec. 15 from 3:00-5:00 p.m. at the Badger Funeral Home, 347 King St., LITTLETON and again on Friday, from 9:00-9:45 a.m. before leaving in procession to St. Anne's Parish, 75 King St., Littleton where her Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10:00 a.m. Burial will follow in Westlawn Cemetery, Littleton. In lieu of flowers donations in her memory may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105 or a charity of your choice. To share a memory or offer a condolence visit: www.badgerfuneral.com

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MUMMOLO, Nadia (Filosa)

Age 67 of Sudbury, Dec 9, 2016. Beloved wife to Mario Mummolo. Loving mother of Laura Collins & her husband Michael, Alexander Mummolo & his wife Yamille, Andria Rose & her husband Benjamin, Elissa Pellegrino & her husband Jeffrey and the late Marina Mummolo. Dear Nana to Jackson, Lyla, Mila, Ava, Mia and Serena. Devoted daughter to Esterina Filosa and the late Osvaldo. Funeral from the Nardone Funeral Home, 373 Main St. Watertown on Saturday at 10 AM followed by an 11 AM Funeral Mass in Sacred Heart Church, Waltham. Burial will follow in Newton Cemetery. Visiting hours Friday from 4-7 PM.

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MURPHY, John J.

Of So. Wey., formerly of Roxbury, passed away Dec. 11th. John was an Engineer for Boston Edison for 39 years and was a Veteran of the US Army. Husband of Annette (Cahill). Cherished father of Mariette Stokes of Quincy, Jeanine Murphy of Dorchester and John T. Murphy of Beachmont. Grandfather of Kaylene, Noelle and Shane. Brother of Francis, Kevin, Maureen Murphy and Kathleen Scanlan all of Boston, Daniel from PA, Joseph of Hanover and Michael Murphy of Norwood. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend the Mass of Christian Burial Friday at 10:30 AM in the Sacred Heart Church, Quincy. Burial will be private. Donations may be made in Mr. Murphy's name to the Alzheimer's Assoc., 480 Pleasant St., Watertown, MA 02472 or Alz.org. For online condolences please visit www.lydonchapelforfunerals.com

NICHOLSON, Peter W.



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Peter W. Nicholson, 96, December 12, 2016. Husband of Constance (Sotiro-poulos) Nicholson, father of: William Nicholson, Gail Griffin and Jeanne Donahue, grandfather of 7, great-grandfather of 2. A funeral service will be held Thursday December 15th. at 10:00 A.M. at the Assumption of the Virgin Mary Greek Orthodox Church 8 Lafayette Road, Ipswich, relatives and friends are respectfully invited. Burial with military honors will follow in the Cowles Memorial Cemetery 29 Town Farm Road, Ipswich. There will be no visiting hours. In lieu of flowers please make a donation in Mr. Nicholson's name to either: the Greek Orthodox Church of Ipswich P.O. Box 6 Ipswich, MA 01938 or to Care Dimensions Hospice 75 Sylvan Street Suite B-102 Danvers, MA 01923. Arrangements are under the direction of the Morris Funeral Home of Ipswich. For directions or to send a condolence to the Nicholson family please go to: www.MorrisFH.com



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NOLAN, Mary Kathleen "Kay" (Fitzgerald)



Of Weymouth, died peacefully on December 12, 2016 in her home surrounded by her loving family. Kay was born and educated in Co. Roscommon Ireland and immigrated to Boston in 1949 at the age of 19. She met her husband Richard at the State Ballroom in Boston and married on September 25, 1954. She will be dearly missed by all of her family and friends. Daughter of the late George and Margaret (Flynn) Fitzgerald. Beloved wife of the late Joseph Richard Nolan. Loving mother of George W. Nolan and his late wife, Joyce of Hingham, Robert C. Nolan of Boston, Joseph R. Nolan, Jr. and his partner, Leslie Hannigan of Weymouth, David F. Nolan and his wife, Claire, of Weymouth, John W. Nolan of Kingston, Gregory F. Nolan of Weymouth, Mary E. Carnell and her husband, Paul of Weymouth, and Caroline C. Nolan of Hingham. Sister of John Fitzgerald and his wife, Beatrice of Roscommon, Ireland, the late James Fitzgerald and his wife Rose, of Roscommon, the late Edward Fitzgerald and his wife, Patricia, of Lexington, the late Bernard Fitzgerald and his wife, Margaret, of Dorchester, the late George Fitzgerald and his late wife Bridie, of Roscommon, and the late Teresa Connolly and her husband, William of Roscommon. Also survived by 10 loving grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend the visiting hours on Thursday 4-8 PM in the McDonald Keohane Funeral Home SOUTH WEYMOUTH at 809 Main Street (Rte 18 opp. So. Shore Hospital). Relatives and friends will gather in the funeral home at 10 AM on Friday prior to the Funeral Mass in St. Francis Xavier Church, Weymouth at 11 AM. Burial will follow in Blue Hill Cemetery, Braintree. If you wish, memorial donations may be made to Saint Francis Xavier School Scholarship Fund, 234 Pleasant Street, Weymouth, MA 02190. See www.Keohane.com for directions and online condolences or call 781-335-0045

O'DONNELL, Enid Marie

53, died peacefully on December 12, 2016, after a rapid decline in health due to medical complications related to Cystic Fibrosis. Enid was the beloved daughter of John O'Donnell and Joanne (Brewer) O'Donnell, the adored wife of Armando Vergara, the cherished sister of Meagan (O'Donnell) McLean and Maura O'Donnell, the much loved sister-in-law of Winston McLean II and David Roman Ubeda, and the dear aunt of Winston McLean III, Courtney McLean and Maddie McLean. Enid graduated from Wayland High School in 1982, earned her B.A. at Bates College in 1986, and was awarded her J.D. degree from Duquesne School of Law in 1989. She was an accomplished retirement planning professional. Enid was happiest spending time with her close friends and her family. She also loved long beach vacations in Florida. She had an indomitable sense of fun and was a generous and loyal friend loved by many. Visitations will be held on Sunday, December 18, 2016 from 2:00 to 6:00 pm at the John C. Bryant Funeral Home, 56 Pemberton Road (Off Rte. 30), Cochrane Village, WAYLAND. Her funeral Mass will be celebrated on Monday, December 19, 2016 at 10:00 am at Good Shepherd Parish at St. Ann's Church, 124 Cochrane Road (Rte 27), Wayland. Her family requests that in lieu of flowers Enid be remembered with donations to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, www.cff.org. Arrangements entrusted to the care of the John C. Bryant Funeral Home of Wayland. For condolences and directions please visit www.johncbryantfuneralhome.com.

POHLMAN, June H.

Of Newton, Maine & Florida, December 12, 2016. Beloved wife of the late Carl G. Pohlman. Devoted mother of Kurt Pohlman and his wife Colette of Hawaii, Scott Pohlman & his wife Mary of Newton, Linda Holmsen and husband Dag of Oakland, ME. Loving grandmother of 6 and great grandmother of 2. Teacher/Director Sandman Nursery School in Newton 4 years, teacher City of Newton 22 years at Clafin and Peirce elementary schools. All family and friends will gather at Burke & Blackington Funeral Home, 1479 Washington St. (Rte 16) WEST NEWTON, at 10:00 a.m. for service and interment at Mt. Feake Cemetery immediately following. In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made in June's Memory to the Advent Christian Village for the Archive Wing Project, PO Box 4305, Dowling Park, FL 32064.

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REILLY, Dr. Harold B.



Of Waltham, passed away surrounded by his family on December 11th. He was predeceased by his loving wife Joan (Sullivan) Reilly. He was the devoted father of Jan Greeley and her husband Stephen of Scituate, Harold Reilly Jr. and Alta Soriano of Waltham, who provided care and a loving home for his last years, Susan Cerrone Abely and her husband Joseph of Wrentham, William Reilly and his wife Gwendolyn of Westford, Mark Reilly and his wife Maria of Littleton, Gail Collins and her husband Timothy of Stow and John Reilly and his wife Marguerite of Stow. He is also survived by his dear cousin Margaret "Peggy" Creamer. In addition he is survived by his 20 loving grandchildren; Steve, Jack, Michael, Thomas and Megan Greeley, Katie, Alana and Alfred Cerrone, Billy and Brian Reilly, Matthew, Sarah and Andrew Reilly, Erin, Timothy Jr. and Danny Collins, Jack, Gavin, Eddie and Alannah Reilly. He also leaves 6 treasured great-grandchildren. Dr. Reilly attended Tufts College and Harvard Dental School, graduating in 1944. He served as a Captain in the US Army and returned to practice dentistry with his father on Main Street in Waltham, where he remained until his retirement. Relatives & Friends are respectfully invited to attend Visiting Hours in the Mary Catherine Chapel of Brasco & Sons Memorial, 773 Moody St., WALTHAM, on Friday evening Dec. 16th from 5 - 8 p.m. Parking attendants will be on duty. Funeral Services with United States Army Military Honors will be held PRIVATE for his family. In lieu of flowers, a donation can be made in his name to the charity of your choice. For complete obituary, guestbook & additional information please refer to;

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RICE, Shirley (Howie)

Of Needham, December 11, 2016. Beloved wife for 55 years of Dr. Cecil A. Rice. Loving mother of the late Catherine Rice. Grandmother of the late Benjamin Rice and Ryan Contos. Half-sister of Hugh Keyte of London. Also survived by her cousin Catherine Morrison of Ballymoney, Northern Ireland. A Funeral Service will be held in the Eaton Funeral Home, 1351 Highland Ave, NEEDHAM, on Saturday, December 17th at 12 Noon. Relatives and friends are kindly invited to attend. Visitation will be held on Saturday from 11 a.m.-12:00 Noon. prior to the service. Interment will take place at St. Mary's Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations in Shirley's name may be made to the Northeastern Society for Group Psychotherapy, P.O. Box 356, Belmont MA 02478. A graduate of Queens University in Belfast, Shirley received her MBA from Babson College. She worked as a business administrator for a law firm. Shirley enjoyed crossword puzzles. For obit, directions or to share a memory of Shirley, please visit www.eatonfuneralhomes.com

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SLINN, John Douglas Jeremy



Chartered Librarian

80, died December 8, 2016. Loving husband of 38 years to Carolyn Hastings; father of Caroline Slinn of Gardner; Margaret Thomas & her husband Richard of Sterling; John Edward Douglas Slinn & partner Alex Maranto of Worcester; Margery Slinn Mendenhall of Madison, AL. Devoted grandfather of Sydney & Adam Thomas, Margery Dame, Saskia Baskin, John Douglas Matthew Slinn, Jonah & Cora Mendenhall. He was predeceased by his daughter Caroline A. Dame. Born in Chesterfield, Derbyshire, England to the late John Oliver Slinn & Margery (Mellors) Slinn. London Polytechnic Institute graduate, obtained BA from Northeastern University, and MSLS from Simmons College. A lifelong Chartered Librarian, he worked for libraries of Brookline, Wilmington, and Newton College of the Sacred Heart, before joining the library at Boston College, where he remained for nearly 25 years until his retirement as Associate University Librarian. Member of Manchester Real Tennis Club, Waltham Table Tennis Club, Royal Horticultural Society and the Stow Minutemen. Jeremy was very proud of his English heritage, and most cherished his time spent in the company of his loving family.

A Celebration of His Life will be held at 11AM Saturday, December 17, 2016 in the Church of the Good Shepherd, 209 Union St., Clinton. Memorial contributions may be made in memory of John Douglas Jeremy Slinn to: The Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research, P.O. Box 5014, Hagerstown, MD 21741, or to the National Parkinson Foundation, 200 SE 1st St., Suite 800, Miami, FL 33131. Philbin-Comeau Funeral Home, 176 West St., Clinton. www.philbincomeaufh.com

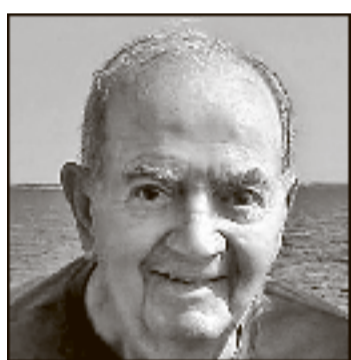
SMITH, Robert M.



Of Wellesley and Otisfield, ME, December 12, 2016. Beloved husband of Joanne H. (Hickson) Smith for 59 years. Devoted father of Janet Smith Idzal and her husband Joseph of Natick, Holly T. Smith of Wellesley, and the late Scott R. Smith. Grandfather of Michael K. Idzal. Brother of Calvin Smith of Charleston, ME, and the late John Smith and Carolyn Polyot. Also survived by several nieces and nephews. Robert was a Korean War Veteran, U.S. Navy. Retired Vice President and Civil Engineer for Fay, Spofford & Thorndike of Burlington. Graduate of the University of Maine at Orono. Avid hunter, fisherman, and woodworker, and loved to spend time with his family on Thompson Lake in Maine. Visiting hours at the George F. Doherty & Sons Funeral Home, 477 Washington St., WELLESLEY, Thursday, Dec. 15 from 4-8 p.m. Funeral service in the funeral home, Friday, Dec. 16 at 11:30 a.m. Relatives and friends kindly invited. Interment private. In lieu of flowers expressions of sympathy may be made in Robert's memory to Good Shepherd Community Care, 90 Wells Ave., Newton, MA 02459. Online guestbook and directions at gfdoherty.com.

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TISO, Albert C.



Of Avon, Dec. 11, 2016. Husband of Rosemary (Neufeld) Tiso. Father of Diane Mason & her husband David of NH, Susan Tiso of CA & Charles Tiso & his wife Debbie of CA; grandfather of 7; great-grandfather of 12. Brother of Rosemarie Celentano & her husband Lou of FL, & the late Cosimo Tiso, Gloria Carucci & Pasquale Tiso; & an uncle of many nieces & nephews. Following cremation, all are welcome to calling hours Friday 3-7 p.m. in Waitt Funeral Home, 850 North Main St., BROCKTON.

Memorial Mass Saturday at 11:30 a.m. in St. Michael Church & burial at St. Michael Cemetery, Avon. In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be made to Smile Train, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, or The Jimmy Fund. Visit www.waittfuneralhome.com or call 508-583-7272

WOLFSON, Steven J.

Age 62, of Wolcott, VT, formerly of Northampton, MA, on Sunday, December 11, 2016. Dear son of the late Diane Wolfson Rosenblum & Charles Rosenblum, and William B. Wolfson. Beloved fiancée of Barbara Conn. Loving and loved father of Julia Gold & her husband Jonathan, and Dana Wolfson. Adored grandfather of Neko and Remy. Devoted brother of Neal & Cassia Wolfson and James & Barbara Wolfson. Fond uncle to his many nieces and nephews. Dear friend of former wife Betty Wolfson. Steven loved being surrounded by his family and friends, fishing in the waters off Martha's Vineyard, and we remember him for his generous spirit and warm heart. A memorial service will be held at Levine Chapels, 470 Harvard Street, BROOKLINE on Thursday, December 15 at 2:00pm. Immediately following the service, memorial observance will be at the home of James & Barbara Wolfson until 8:00pm. In lieu of flowers remembrances may be made to Sheriffs Meadow Foundation, sheriffsmeadowfoundation.org or Salvation Farms, salvationfarms.org

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Mr. Thicke, a native of Canada, briefly was a late-night talk-show host.

Alan Thicke, 'Growing Pains' father, composer

**By Frazier Moore
ASSOCIATED PRESS**

NEW YORK — Alan Thicke, a versatile performer who gained his greatest renown as the beloved dad on the long-running sitcom "Growing Pains," died from a heart attack on Tuesday in Los Angeles. He was 69.

The death was confirmed by Carleen Donovan, the publicist for Mr. Thicke's son, singer Robin Thicke. She had no further details.

Born in Ontario, Canada, Mr. Thicke was a TV host, writer, composer, and actor well-known in his homeland before making his name in the United States.

On "Growing Pains," which aired from 1985 to 1992, Mr. Thicke played Dr. Jason Seaver, a psychiatrist and father-knows-best who moved his practice into his home so his wife could go back to work. Along with his clients, he had three (later four) kids under foot, including his oldest son, Mike, played by heart-throb Kirk Cameron, who served as a constant source of comedic trouble for the family.

Mr. Thicke was nominated for three Emmy Awards for his work in the late 1970s as a writer for Barry Manilow's talk show and for a satirical take on the genre in "America 2-Night."

He composed several popular theme songs, including the original theme for "The Wheel of Fortune" and for shows including "Diff'rent Strokes."

Perhaps his boldest assault on the US market was as a virtual unknown taking on the King of Late Night, Johnny Carson. "Thicke of the Night" was a syndicated talk-music-and-comedy show meant to go head-to-head against NBC's "The Tonight Show Starring Johnny Carson."

He premiered in September 1983 with great fanfare, boasting an innovative format and regulars including Richard Belzer, Arsenio Hall, and Fred Willard. But it was quickly evident that Carson wasn't going to be dethroned, and the ambitious "Thicke" disappeared after one season.

In the 1990s and beyond, Mr. Thicke stayed busy as a celebrity TV host and with guest shots on dozens of series, including the Netflix series "Fuller House" and the NBC drama "This Is Us" this year.

He had the satisfaction of seeing his musical skills passed down to son Robin, a successful singer-songwriter and producer who, with brother Brennan, were born to Mr. Thicke and the first of his three wives, Gloria Loring.

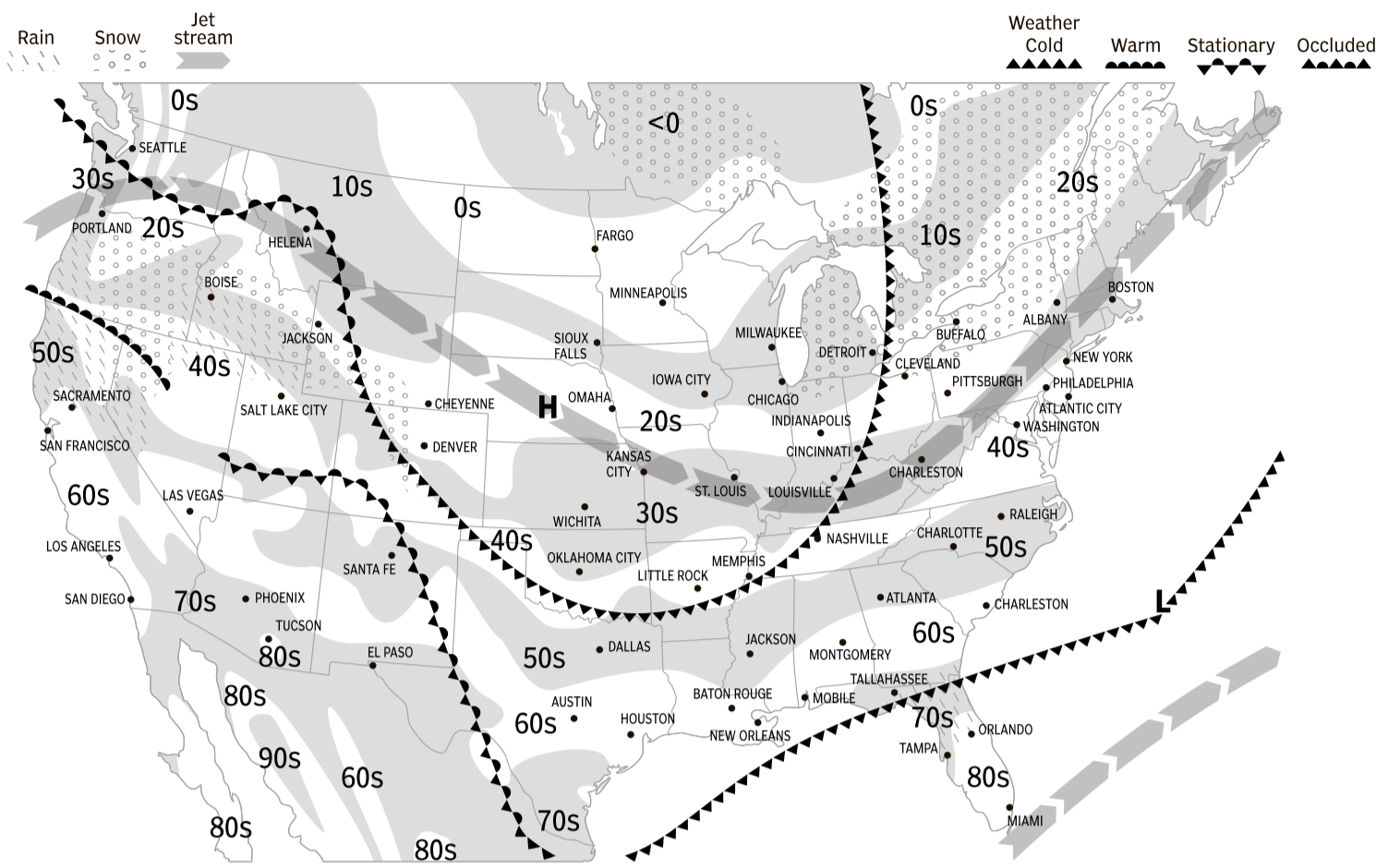
In an e-mail, Loring described Mr. Thicke's passing as "a shock. We were all just together for Thanksgiving. He was funny, talented, and deeply devoted to his family."

Mr. Thicke also leaves a son from his marriage to second wife Gina Tolleson. He had been married to Tanya Callau since 2005.

Several entertainers, particularly Canadians, mourned his death. William Shatner tweeted he was saddened by his friend's loss, and singer Anne Murray's Twitter post said she was "shocked and devastated," recalling him as a friend and producer of many of her TV specials.

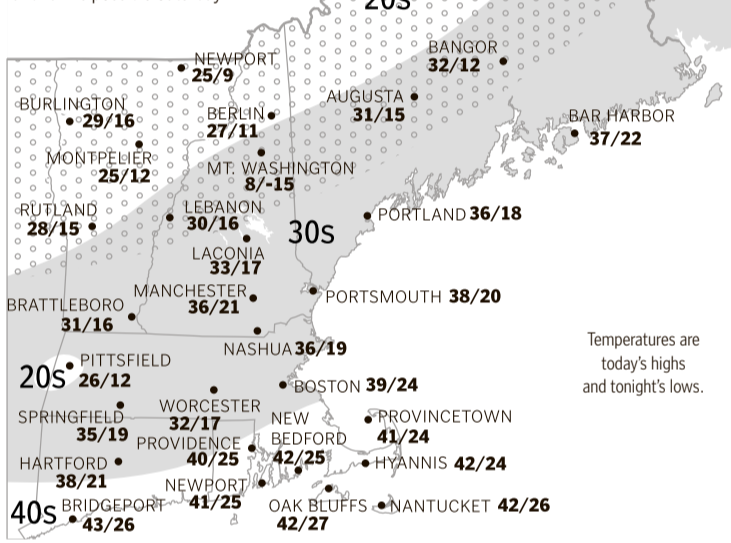
Boston's forecast

Table with 5 columns: TODAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY, SUNDAY. Each column shows weather icons and temperature ranges (High/Low).



New England forecast

TODAY: High pressure will keep most areas dry and seasonable under times of clouds and sunshine. Snow showers will fall in the west. TOMORROW: Gusty winds and sharply colder air will flow into the area along with a few flurries.



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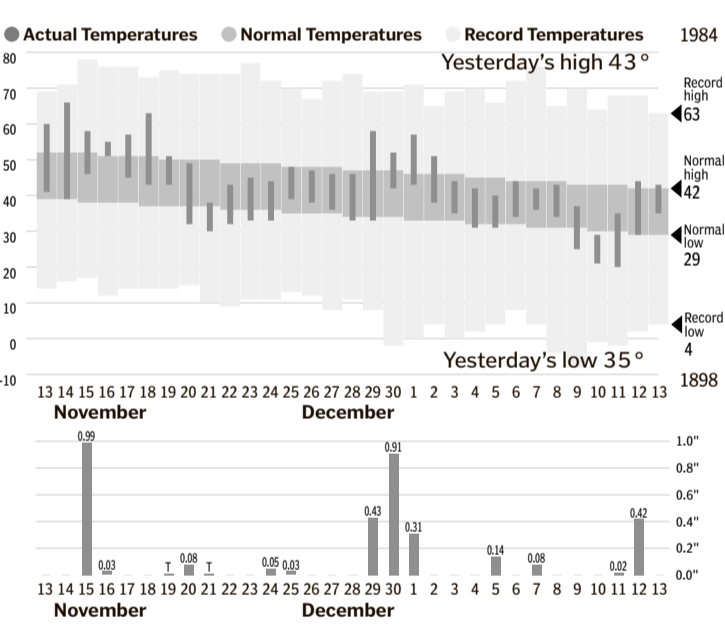
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Sunrise 7:06 a.m., Sunset 4:12 p.m., Day length 9:06, Moonrise 5:22 p.m., Mount Washington (7 p.m. yesterday) Weather Dense fog, Visibility 1/16 of a mile, Wind southwest at 28 m.p.h.

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DAILY BRIDGE CLUB

BY FRANK STEWART. South dealer — N-S vulnerable. North hand: ♠ 8 4 2, ♥ 10 3 2, ♦ J 6 3, ♣ A Q 4 2. West hand: ♠ Q 10 7 5 3, ♥ K J 8 7, ♦ Q, ♣ 10 8 7. East hand: ♠ J 9 6, ♥ 6 5 4, ♦ K 9 8 7 4, ♣ 9 3. South hand: ♠ A K, ♥ A Q 9, ♦ A 10 5 2, ♣ K J 6 5. Deal: South 2 NT, West Pass, North 3 NT, East All Pass. Opening lead — ♠ 5.

"I think you're around Cy too much," I told Unlucky Louie. "You're starting to sound like him." "Just because I said it's that wonderful time of the year," Louie replied, "when I learn what I'm getting my wife for Christmas?"

Cy the Cynic is his usual cynical self about the holidays; he must be the Grinch's first cousin. Louie just worries about paying for gifts for his big family. As declarer at today's 3NT in a penny game, Louie took the king of spades, led a club to dummy and returned a heart to his nine. West took the jack and led another spade, and Louie won, went to dummy and tried a heart to his queen. West produced the dummy and cashed three spades. Down one. "I'm going to have to take out a loan," Louie sighed. Louie erred. He gets an extra chance by cashing the ace of diamonds at Trick Two. If nothing good happened, Louie would double-finesse in hearts. But when West's singleton queen falls, Louie can set up a second diamond trick for nine in all.

DAILY QUESTION You hold: ♠ A K ♥ A Q 9 ♦ A 10 5 2 ♣ K J 6 5. Neither side vulnerable. The dealer, at your right, opens three spades. What do you say?

ANSWER: Your opponent's preempt forces you to guess; it has cut away all your room for investigation. To bid with any accuracy and avoid being stolen from, you must assume your partner has a few points. Bid 3NT. An option would be to double for takeout, but then you might land at a poor contract of four hearts.

Conceptis CalcuDoku By Dave Green

CalcuDoku puzzle grid with numbers and mathematical symbols (÷, ×, +, -) in some cells. Includes difficulty level stars and a 12/14 rating.

Each row and column must contain the numbers 1 through 6 without repeating. The numbers within the outlined boxes, or cages, must combine using the given operation (in any order) to produce the target numbers in the top-left corners. Fill in the single-box cages with the number in the top-left corner.

HOROSCOPE

BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Wednesday, Dec. 14, 2016: This year you open up to many new ideas, partially because of an important relationship. You understand the importance of listening to others' ideas and life stories. As you learn to respect different points of view, you will open up. ARIES (March 21-April 19) Express your preference as far as where you would like to be. Your energy soars and could cause an unforeseen problem. Use your instincts when dealing with a domestic matter. Think before you leap into action; you will be a lot happier if you do. TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

Speak your mind, though you could get some flak from a partner, friend or loved one. Touch base with several friends at a distance. A meeting will be important; do not allow confusion to keep you from attending. GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Resist going on a spending spree. You know how it goes: "One for this person, one for me, one for that person, another one for me." You could hit a problem before you know it. Ask yourself why you need all these "things." CANCER (June 21-July 22) Your energy might be focused on someone else right now. In the near future, you'll want to shift your focus to your own needs and

to what must be done. Get as many of your gifts in the mail as you possibly can. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You will be on top of your game for the next few days. Right now, you need as much rest as possible. Greet some quiet moments as great times to write out cards or do whatever knocks your socks off. Remain more sensitive to alternatives than you have been. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You'll want to be more involved in a group project. You seem to have been holding in your anger for a while. As a result, you easily could be triggered. At a certain point, you can't exercise away hostility or dismiss hurt feelings.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Be willing to take a stand, but make it OK for someone else to take center stage. You have a lot on your plate, especially with a situation that surrounds a child. Stay centered on your long-term goals, even if you don't feel as if they are possible right now. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Keep reaching out for more of what you want. Detach from immediate problems and see if you can handle them with a different approach. Try to imagine what it would be like to be the other parties in the situation; you will be more accepting as a result. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec.

21) You'll want to relate to others on a one-on-one level more often. Choose your words with care, as people could find you to be a bit sarcastic. You are coming from a place of security, even though you might be sitting on an important secret. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Defer to others for now. You can be fiery and possessive at times. Right now, you need to stay centered, no matter what goes on. Your sixth sense could be working overtime. Be aware of your thoughts and how they might be affecting you. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Stay centered on your daily life.

You might hear from several friends who care a lot about you. Be careful with your funds, as money could slip right through your hands. Some extra caring as well as some self-discipline will make a difference. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Your creativity is likely to come up with many wild scenarios. Ask yourself whether the wilder ones are workable. Flights of fancy are common for you; try some of them out more often. Listen to what others are saying and accept their feedback. Jacqueline Bigar is on the Internet at www.jacquelinebigar.com. (c) 2016 by King Features Syndicate Inc.

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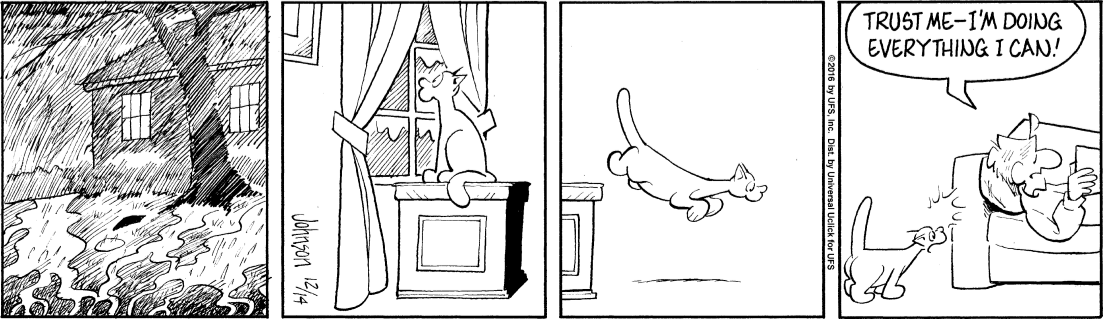
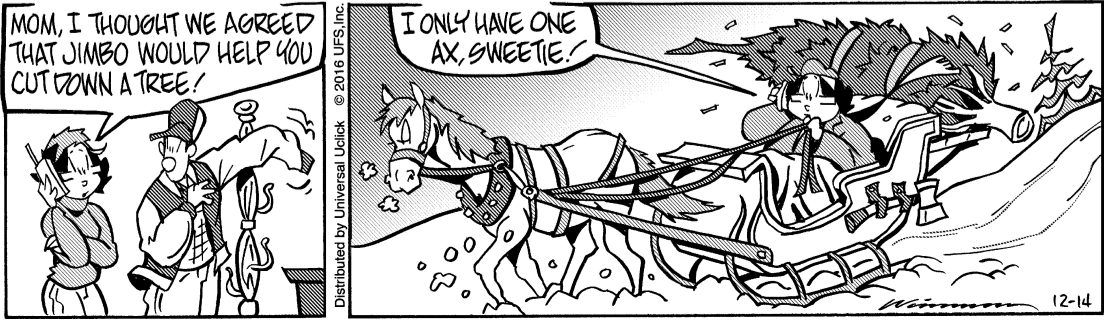
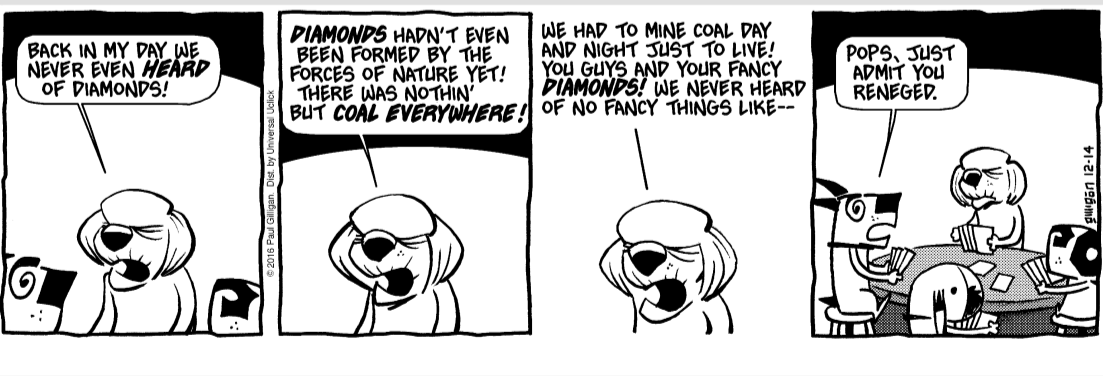
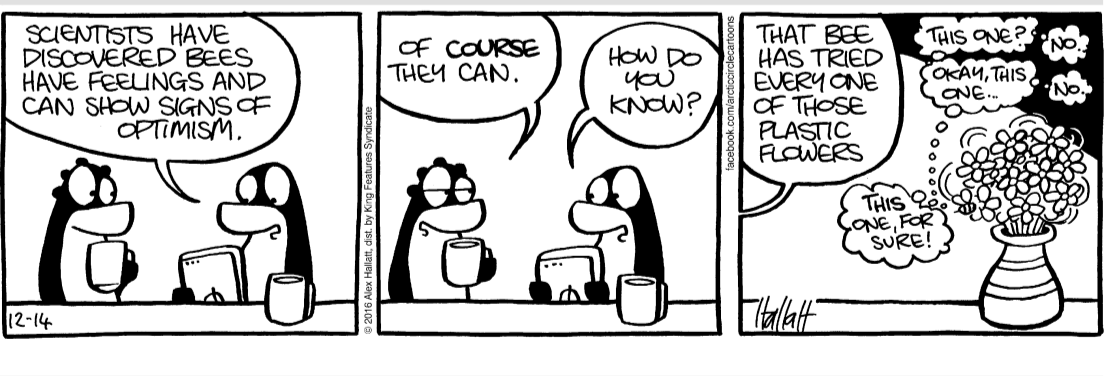
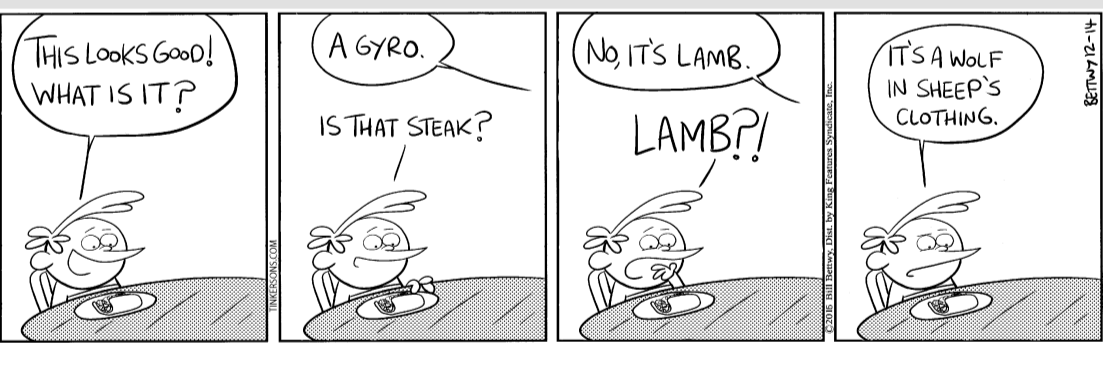
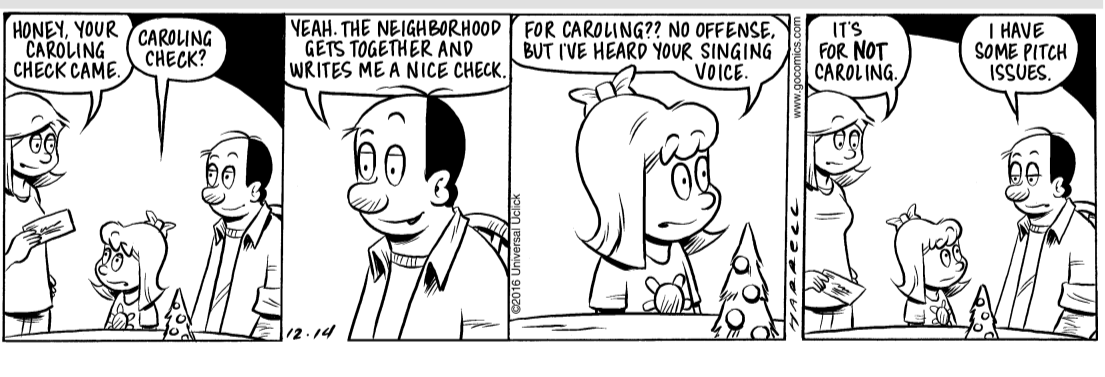
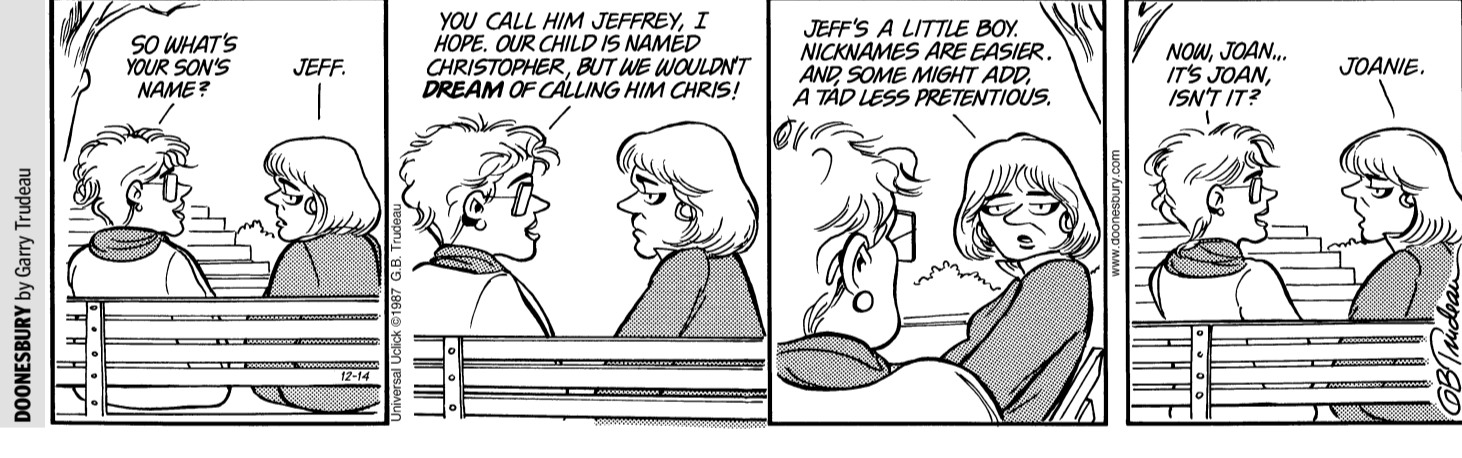
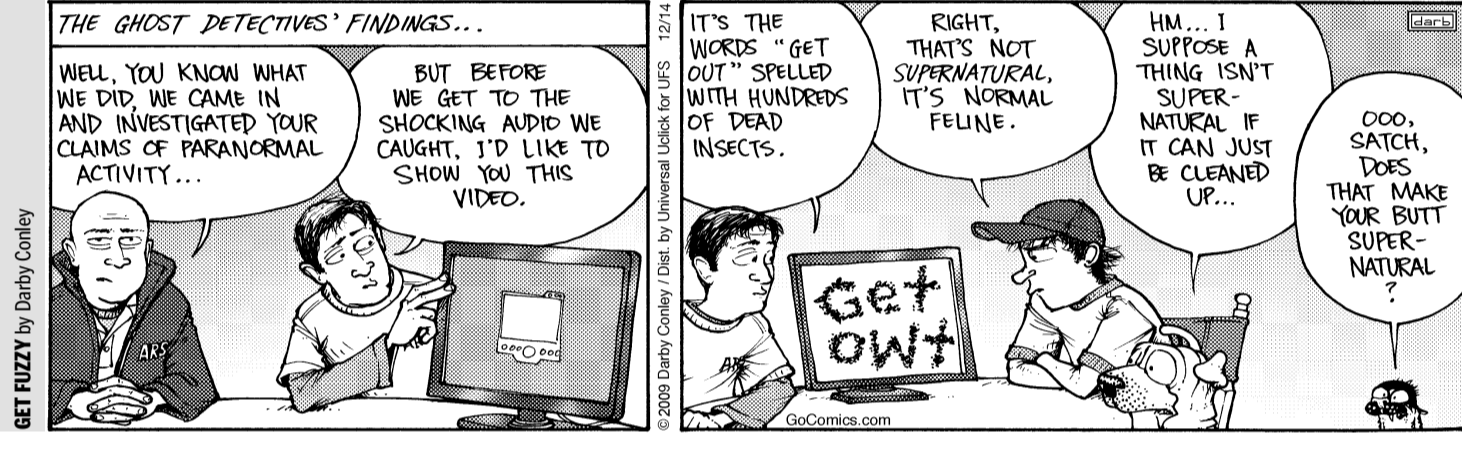
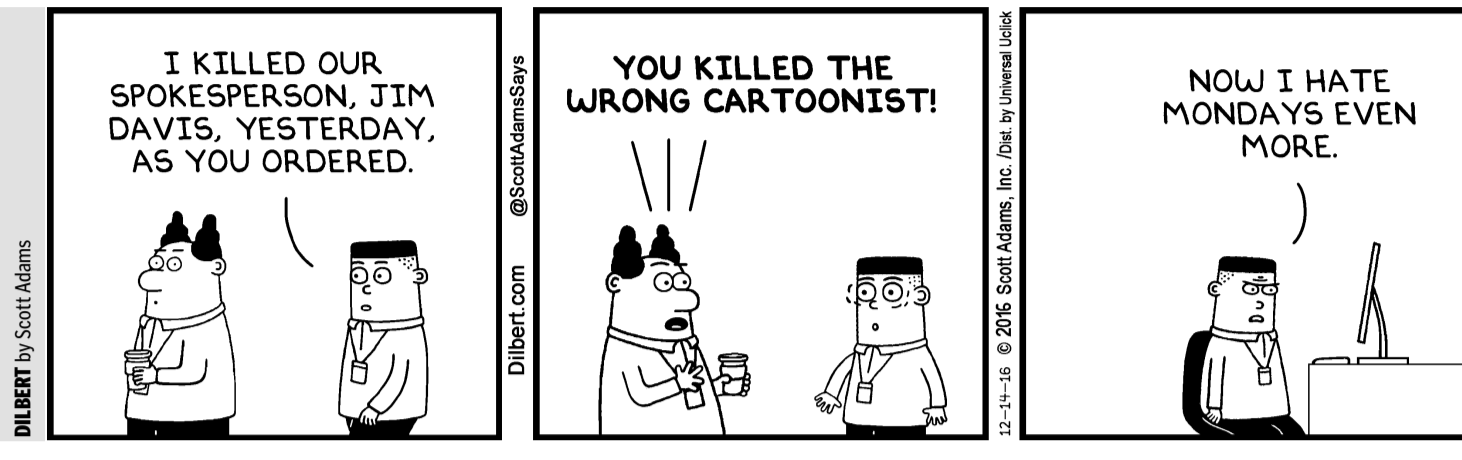
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Today is Wednesday, Dec. 14, the 349th day of 2016. There are 17 days left in the year. Today's birthdays: Singer Abbe Lane is 85. Entertainment executive Michael Ovitz is 70. Former Red Sox first baseman Bill Buckner is 67. Rock singer Mike Scott (The Waterboys) is 58. In 1799, the first US president, George Washington, died at his home in Mount Vernon, Va., home at age 67.

In 1911, Norwegian explorer Roald Amundsen and his team became the first men to reach the South Pole, beating a British group led by Robert Scott. In 1946, the UN General Assembly voted to establish its headquarters in New York. In 1964, the US Supreme Court ruled that Congress was within its authority to enforce the Civil Rights Act of 1964 against racial discrimination by pri-

ivate businesses. In 1981, Israel annexed the Golan Heights, which it seized from Syria in 1967. In 2012, Adam Lanza, armed with a semi-automatic rifle, killed 20 first-graders and six educators at Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, Conn., then committed suicide. He had earlier killed his mother. In 2006, South Korea's Ban Ki-moon

was sworn in as the eighth UN secretary general. A British police inquiry concluded the deaths of Princess Diana and her boyfriend, Dodi Fayed, in a 1997 Paris car crash were a "tragic accident" and that allegations of a murder conspiracy were unfounded. Last year, Bill Cosby fired back at seven women suing him for defamation, accusing them in a federal countersuit of false accusations.





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MARK SHANAHAN & MEREDITH GOLDSTEIN
with EMILY SWEENEY

Middle East worker bounced over burger

A bouncer at the Middle East nightclub has been fired after former Bauhaus frontman **Peter Murphy** complained that the guard was eating a hamburger and fries during his show Friday.



Murphy (inset), whose concert at the Cambridge club was sold out, briefly left the stage after confronting the guard about eating so close to the stage during the show.

Not famous for his sunny disposition, Murphy told the crowd he would not return until the bouncer was removed. The guard was ushered out and the 59-year-old "Bela Lugosi's

Dead" singer returned to finish the show. A rep for the Middle East told us Tuesday that the guard who had been eating during the show has been fired and a second bouncer involved in the incident has been suspended.

Cambridge massage therapist **Emily Taylor**, a longtime fan of Murphy's music, was at the show and thinks the security guard was in the wrong. The singer might have been a little grumpy already, she said, but the bouncer should have walked away as soon as Murphy called him out for eating next to the stage.

"They nearly got into a physical altercation," Taylor said. "[The guard] got pissed at Peter Murphy. You don't escalate the problem if you're working security at a venue. You just don't."

Horror film 'Cadaver' wraps in Devens

"Cadaver," a scary movie starring "Pretty Little Liars" actress **Shay Mitchell** and "Castle" actress **Stana Katic**, was set to wrap in Massachusetts on Tuesday night. Producer **Sean Robins** told us that there were no big plans for a wrap party, partly because the crew has been filming in Devens.

"There's nothing that caters to people past 10 p.m. there," he said. The film, directed by **Diederik Van Rooijen**, is about an ex-cop who takes a graveyard shift in a morgue — with frightening consequences. Production started Nov. 7; filming locations included Boston's City Hall and Chelsea. Robins said the plan is for the movie to have a wide release, drawing the kind of audience that enjoyed horror films like "Don't Breathe" and "The Conjuring 2."

"The movie starts off a drama, it

becomes a psych thriller, and ends as a horror movie," he said. Mitchell's filming schedule meant that she had to miss the wedding of her "Liars" costar, **Troian Bellisario**, who married "Suits" star **Patrick J. Adams** over the weekend.

Mitchell posted this message to Bellisario on Instagram: "To my big sister T on her wedding day. I love that we were able to close one very important chapter of our lives together and I am devastated not to be there as you embark on your next one. As I sit here thinking about our friendship and journey I am reminded of how much I love, cherish and admire you. I know you and Patrick will have the most special day and I can't wait to celebrate you two as a married couple. Soak it all in and enjoy this moment . . . it's all yours babe."



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DJ Khaled visits Harvard Business School

Music producer **DJ Khaled** paid a visit to Harvard Business School, stopping in to professor **Anita Elberse's** class on the businesses of entertainment, media, and sports. Khaled, who's been called the "Quincy Jones of hip-hop and R&B," has produced hits for the likes of **Jay Z**, **Kanye West**, **Drake**, **Ludacris**, **T.I.**, and **Nicki Minaj**, among others. His visit to the World's Greatest University was sponsored by Get Schooled, a nonprofit that seeks to motivate young people to graduate from high school and go to college. Pictured: Khaled and Elberse.

Affleck likes idea of running for office

Ben Affleck might be interested in running for office.

The actor, who spoke about his new film, "Live by Night," during a New York Times TimesTalks event with **Chip McGrath** at New York University on Monday, said there's something "noble" about public service.

"I like the idea of running for office," he said, adding that he's been disillusioned by what he called a "cash suck," "where you're just glad-handing and making phone calls and doing cocktail parties, and trying to gobble up as much money as you can." He said he was surprised Congress is able to get anything done with all of the fund-raising.

Affleck pointed to a fan in a Patriots hat and joked that he knows where he should base a campaign. He also said, "I will say that the one great thing about November of 2016 is that I all of a sudden became qualified to run for president."

Affleck directed and stars in the Christmas release "Live by Night," based on the novel by **Dennis Lehane**. Much of the film was shot in Georgia, but Affleck also filmed around Boston, including the North End neighborhood, where he also shot "The Town."

"Live By Night" also features **Sienna Miller**, **Zoe Saldana**, **Elle Fanning**, and Kingston's own **Chris Cooper**. Affleck joined the rest of the cast Monday night at an Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences screening of the film at the Museum of Modern Art in New York City.



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FIYM will be forever in minds of Roslindale students

The boy band Forever in Your Mind made a surprise appearance at the **Dennis C. Haley** Pilot School in Roslindale Tuesday as part of a promotion for Playworks, a national nonprofit that encourages safe play in schools. The K-8 school was chosen for the event — dubbed "Rock Star Recess!" — from among more than 5,000 US schools. Forever in Your Mind — or FIYM, as they're called by their teenybopper fans — includes (from near right) **Ricky Garcia**, **Liam Attridge** and **Emery Kelly**. The band, which is very big on the Disney Channel, formed after Kelly and Garcia auditioned on "The X-Factor."



DiCaprio joins forces with Boston firm

Boston-based venture firm Data Point Capital has added a Hollywood heavyweight to its advisory board. Oscar winner **Leonardo DiCaprio** will advise Data Point Capital on the entertainment industry. "He wanted to invest, but said if he's going to invest, he wants to be involved," **Mike Majors**, managing partner of Data Point Capital, told us Tuesday. "We're bringing him on board as a thought leader in all things media and entertainment, to help us stay ahead of trends." Headquartered in the Seaport, Data Point Capital is focused on companies that can be leveraged and scaled on the In-

ternet. DPC was founded by **Scott Savitz**, who also founded the e-commerce site Shoebuy.com, and advisers include **Lars Albright**, cofounder of Quattro Wireless, iRobot founder **Colin Angle**, **Diane Hesan**, cofounder of Communispace, former Conversant CEO **John Giuliani**, and Where.com cofounder **Alan Phillips**, among others. It's unlikely that DiCaprio's duties will require him to spend a lot of time in Boston. Asked if he's got a favorite DiCaprio film, Majors paused. "How can you choose? I liked him in 'Gilbert Grape,' and I did like 'Wolf of Wall Street,' but I'd say 'The Great Gatsby.'"



MATT STONE

Taylor plays at MFA

Music legend **James Taylor** performed Monday night at "A Decade of Discovery," a benefit for the Mass. General Cancer Center. The gala — which raised more than \$2.5 million — was held at the Museum of Fine Arts and hosted by **Jack Connors Jr.**, a longtime supporter of the Cancer Center and former chair of the Partners Health-Care board. The event highlighted the work of Dr. **Jay Austen**, chief of plastic and reconstructive surgery at MGH, and included remarks by Austen, Connors, Dr. **Daniel Haber**, director of the Mass. General Cancer Center; Dr. **David Ryan**, clinical director of the center; and Mass. General patient **John Murphy**. Pictured: MGH president Dr. **Peter Slavin**, Taylor, and Haber.

Restaurateur Kane to open French spot?

Restaurateur **Ed Kane** met with the Downtown Boston Residents' Association on Monday night to talk about his plan to open a French restaurant inside the Masonic Temple at Boylston and Tremont streets. Kane tells us the place would be called Explorateur. "It is our interpretation of a community focused, all-day-dining, European cafe/bakery, bar, and restaurant," he said, of the plan, via e-mail. Kane's other ventures with his Big Night Entertainment Group include Red Lantern, Gem, and Empire. **Rishi Shukla**, of the Residents' Association, said his group is supportive of the venture. "In addition to activating an important corner of Downtown it promises to offer residents and visitors alike an exceptional culinary and social experience," he said.

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Frates honored by NCAA

Pete Frates, the former Boston College baseball player who's battling **Lou Gehrig's** disease, received the 2017 Inspiration Award at his home in Beverly Tuesday. The award honors Frates not only for his courageous fight, but also his immense fund-raising effort to find a cure for the dread disease. NCAA president Dr. **Mark Emmert** and NCAA Honors Committee chairman Dr. **Michael Benson** were present Tuesday. Frates's father, **John**, said the Inspiration Award means a lot to the family. "We're so humbled and honored," he said. "I almost feel like the Ice Bucket Challenge — the awareness campaign Pete inspired — catapulted over his true essence, which is as an NCAA baseball player. Pete put his heart and soul into being the best NCAA player he could be."

When Donald met Kanye

'We've been friends for a long time.'

DONALD TRUMP, president-elect of the United States, on his relationship with rapper Kanye West



Fed may curb bid to spark economy

Trump's fiscal plan raises inflation fears

By Binyamin Appelbaum
NEW YORK TIMES

WASHINGTON — Investors in financial markets, and those predicting faster economic growth in 2017, would do well to remember the famous words that William McChesney Martin Jr., the former Federal Reserve chairman, uttered way back in 1955: The Fed's job is to remove the punch bowl just as the party gets going.

President-elect Donald Trump's promises to cut taxes and regulation and to increase spending on infrastructure and defense have convinced many that a sugar high in the near term will goose the economy. On Tuesday, the Dow Jones industrial average marched closer to 20,000, extending a rally that has pushed the blue chip index up 8.6 percent since the Nov. 8 election.

But Fed officials say the economy is already expanding at something close to its maximum sustainable pace, meaning faster growth would drive inflation toward unwelcome levels.

To avoid overheating, the Fed could respond by raising interest rates more quickly. The more Trump stimulates growth, the faster the Fed is likely to increase rates.

"I guess I would argue that I think people have gotten a bit ahead of themselves about what a Trump presidency would mean," said Lewis Alexander, chief US economist at Nomura. "If we have a big stimulus, the logical thing for the Fed to do is to raise rates faster. There isn't a whole heck of a lot of scope to just let the economy run under those circumstances. There's a big question about whether fiscal stimulus under Trump just leads to higher interest rates."

Underscoring that question, the **STOCK MARKET, Page C4**

Mass. Senate to take new stab at health costs

By Priyanka Dayal McCluskey
GLOBE STAFF

Massachusetts Senate leaders said Tuesday that they want to draft new legislation to tackle rising health costs, conceding that current efforts have not done enough.

The state passed a law in 2012 aimed at curbing medical spending, but Senate majority leader Harriette Chandler told reporters that it "obviously isn't successful if we're [still] looking for ways to contain these costs."

"We're likely to see legislation" in the next session, which begins in January, Chandler said.

Senate leaders did not say what a new bill may include. "We're still trying to assess various strategies," Senate President Stanley Rosenberg said.

Chandler and Rosenberg are among seven senators who will travel to Minnesota this week to study its health system, which experts say provides high-quality and cost-efficient care. The trip, funded by a private foundation, is the beginning of a "research project" by the senators to learn how other states have approached health policy. In coming months, the lawmakers may visit additional states or invite experts to meet with them in Massachusetts.

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'From the industry I come from, construction, you are going to see a lot more spending, a more willingness to invest.'

MIKE HAYNES, below, co-owner of Haynes Construction in West Bridgewater



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Small business has big hopes for Trump

Promises of more growth, less regulation fuel enthusiasm about the economy

SHIRLEY LEUNG



To understand the record-high stock market and soaring business confidence, spend some time with Mike Haynes.

He's the co-owner of the Haynes Group, a small construction firm in West Bridgewater with 48 employees that renovates buildings all over Boston. He's downright giddy about Donald Trump and a Republican-controlled Congress.

Here's what Haynes expects: the end of Washington gridlock. Lower taxes. Reduced health care costs. All of which means small-business owners like himself can grow and hire. Haynes has already done the math. If his taxes go down by 3 to 6 percent, he can add a few more workers.

"From the industry I come from, construction, you are going to see a lot more spending, a more willingness to invest," said Haynes, who voted for Trump. "We

don't have to worry about what is going to happen next year."

There's a narrative out there that Trump won on the backs of the white working poor in rural America. People without a college education, unemployed coal miners, and the ones who had nothing to lose put the bombastic Republican businessman in office.

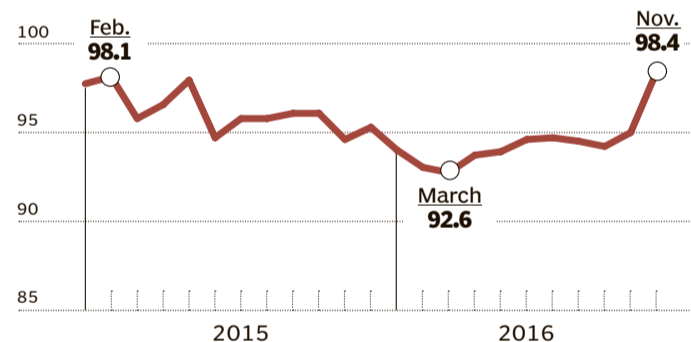
But plenty of middle-class and wealthy college grads also voted for Trump, many willing to compartmentalize his loathsome statements about women, immigrants, and people of color because they liked his message about jobs and trade. They included Massachusetts residents like Haynes — small-business owners who got tired of slow growth and were willing to roll the dice with a real estate mogul turned reality TV star.

"The guy might be crazy, but he's not stupid," said Jack Derby, who runs a Boston management consulting firm that advises about 400 clients in New England, many of them small-business owners. "What Trump is doing is hitting the restart button."

Strange times we live in. Half the country is in protest mode, worried how a Trump presidency could hurt all the groups he denigrated on the campaign trail; the other half thinks America is about to be great again.

On Tuesday, the National Federation of Independent Business reported that its index measuring small-business opti-

The National Federation of Independent Business this week reported soaring optimism among small-business owners in its monthly index



Leading contributors to the increase since October

- 3 POINTS Job openings
- 10 POINTS Improving sales
- 19 POINTS Improving economy

SOURCE: NFIB

mism soared after Election Day to a level not seen since 2007. The group indicated that more of its members expect to hire, increase sales, and improve business conditions.

That dovetails with a report last week from Associated Industries of Massachusetts, which indicated employer confidence has grown since Trump's election — the biggest jump in 17 months — buoyed by a rising stock market and low unemployment rate in Massachusetts. The trade group has some 4,000 members, with the average company employing about 50 workers.

Trump has been playing to this audience. While it might have sounded strange to many of us that the president-elect would make reducing regulation a

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The Kennedy brothers — John, Robert, and Ted — posed in Hyannis Port in this undated photo.



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RFK's legacy may be focus of a memorial at UMass

Talks underway with late senator's family

By Jon Chesto
GLOBE STAFF

When the Edward M. Kennedy Institute for the United States Senate opened in 2015 next to the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum, there was one famous brother who was left out of the picture.

But that could change if talks involving the family of Robert F. Kennedy and the University of Massachusetts come to fruition.

Representatives of UMass and Kennedy's family have been discussing a possible project that could honor the legacy of the former US senator and at-

torney general at the UMass Boston campus, on the Dorchester peninsula of Columbia Point. The memorial project could involve a building — a new structure, for example, or naming rights for an existing one — though no decision has been made.

The talks are still in the early stages. UMass Boston is essentially at its limit in terms of borrowing capacity, making it tough for the school to finance a new building. UMass bonds helped finance the \$78 million EMK Institute, along with the \$38 million in federal funds, and the institute agreed to cover the debt service payments.

UMass president Marty Meehan acknowledged that the university system has been in talks with the Kennedy **RFK, Page C4**

US seeks to help cars converse

Technology seen as next wave of ways to save lives

By Joan Lowy
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — All new cars and light trucks would be able to talk wirelessly with each other, with traffic lights, and with other roadway infrastructure under a rule the Transportation Department proposed Tuesday. Officials say the technology holds the potential to dramatically reduce traffic deaths and transform driving.

Vehicle-to-vehicle communications, or V2V, enables cars to transmit their locations, speed, direction, and other information 10 times per second. That lets cars detect, for example, when another vehicle is about to run a red light, is braking hard, changing lanes, or coming around a blind turn in time for a driver or automated safety systems to prevent a crash.

The technology has the potential to prevent or mitigate the severity of up to 80 percent of collisions that don't involve alcohol or drugs, officials said.

"V2V will provide 360-degree situational awareness on the road," said Transportation Secretary Anthony Foxx. "We are carrying the ball as far as we can to realize the potential of transportation technology to save lives."

The Alliance of Automobile Manufacturers said it is reviewing the proposal but sees V2V as complementary to automated safety features that are increasingly being added to vehicles.

Automakers and the government have been working together on developing technology for more than a decade. Under the department's proposal, V2V systems would be required to "speak the same language" through standardized messaging.

The Federal Highway Admin-

istration plans to separately issue guidance to help transportation planners integrate two-way wireless technology into roadway infrastructure such as traffic lights, stop signs, and work zones. Cars could communicate information on road conditions to the infrastructure, which could then be passed along to other vehicles as they come along. Traffic lights would know when to stay green to avoid unnecessary waiting and reduce congestion.

There is a 90-day comment period, and officials said they expect it will be about a year before a final rule is released.

The US seeks 'to realize the potential of transportation technology to save lives.'

ANTHONY FOXX,
transportation secretary

The proposal calls for 50 percent of new vehicles to have the technology within two years after a final rule is issued and 100 percent of such vehicles within four years.

It would still take years or even decades after that for the full potential of V2V to be realized. That's because V2V can prevent collisions only between vehicles with the technology.

It takes decades for the entire fleet of vehicles on the road to turn over. But the process of spreading V2V throughout the fleet may go faster if, as expected, devices are developed that enable motorists to add the technology to older vehicles.

Some automakers aren't waiting for the final rule. General Motors has said previously that it plans to include V2V in some 2017 Cadillac sedans as well as 2017 Mercedes E-Class sedans as well as equipped with V2V.



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Google spins off self-driving car outfit

John Krafcik will be CEO of Waymo, the autonomous vehicle company being created by Google's parent company, Alphabet.

By Daisuke Wakabayashi
NEW YORK TIMES

SAN FRANCISCO — Google's self-driving car is ready to take the wheel.

Google's parent company, Alphabet, said Tuesday that its autonomous vehicle project is spinning off from its research lab X and will operate as a stand-alone company under the name Waymo.

Alphabet's decision to spin out Waymo is a signal that the company thinks its self-driving technology has advanced beyond research project status and is ready for commercialization.

Autonomous vehicles are a hotly contested field of technology, pursued by other tech giants, promising upstarts, and traditional automakers — who all see the potential of self-driving cars to upend the automobile industry.

Advancements in sensor technology coupled with breakthroughs in machine learning — the ability of computers to learn from vast amounts of data and improve over time — mean driverless cars (essentially supercomputers on wheels) could become a regular sight on the roads over the next few years.

"As we look at this space and the

opportunities ahead of us, we see so much," said John Krafcik, CEO of Waymo. "We're a new company, but we've been at this for a while."

Waymo joins the roster of Alphabet companies, which includes Google. Krafcik said the new arrangement allows Waymo to tap into the infrastructure and resources of Alphabet with the feel of an independent venture-backed company. He said Waymo's technology could have uses as varied as ride-sharing services and long-haul trucking.

Alphabet was an early technological leader in the field, but its efforts to establish a business around the technology have fallen short. Since 2009, Alphabet's self-driving cars have logged 2.3 million driverless miles — the equivalent of more than 400 round-trip drives from New York to Los Angeles — on test drives in California, Arizona, Texas, and Washington state. Waymo said it completed the world's first fully driverless ride on public roads last year in Austin, Texas, with a blind passenger in a car without a steering wheel or pedals.

Safely ensconced in Google's so-called moonshot factory, the self-driving car project did not face the type of financial pressure to com-

mercialize its technology that a startup or a company without Google's resources would have. Despite its head start, other companies have incorporated autonomous driving technology into their products and services more quickly.

Tesla Motors has a semiautonomous feature called Autopilot that can take over for the driver for long stretches, and it is preparing for its newest cars to go fully autonomous as early as next year. Tesla also announced its intention to start a ride-hailing service once its driverless car technology is ready.

The ride-hailing service Uber is already testing self-driving cars to pick up customers in Pittsburgh with a person on standby in the driver's seat. Lately, its driverless cars have been spotted on the streets of San Francisco.

At the same time, the list of companies with an eye on the space is growing. Apple has hundreds of employees working on autonomous car technology, and carmakers are snapping up tech talent. General Motors acquired the self-driving car startup Cruise Automation this year, and Ford Motor is expanding aggressively in Silicon Valley with a research and development center.

Monsanto shareholders OK merger with Bayer

By Jim Salter
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ST. LOUIS — Monsanto Co. shareholders on Tuesday overwhelmingly approved a \$57 billion merger with Bayer AG, a deal that would combine two of the world's biggest agricultural companies.

But the path toward securing regulatory approval may be rough. Critics say the combination would shrink competition in the agricultural market, drive prices higher for farmers and consumers, and escalate damage to the environment. Monsanto and Bayer officials say growers and ranchers stand to benefit, and the combined company will be better suited to address issues like climate change.

Preliminary results showed that 99 percent of all votes cast favored the merger announced in September, St. Louis-based Monsanto said. Shareholders will receive \$128 per share in cash at the closing of the merger, which must still receive regulatory approval. Monsanto said the deal is expected to close by the end of 2017.

Monsanto shares declined 7 cents to \$104.52.

"This is an important milestone as we work to combine our two complementary companies and deliver on our shared vision for the future of agriculture," Monsanto chairman and chief executive Hugh Grant said.

Bayer, the German medicine and farm-chemical maker, and Monsanto, maker of seeds, herbicides, and pesticides among other agricultural products, have faced concern from some government and ag industry leaders who worry the merger will hurt farmers by reducing competition at a time when the agriculture economy has slowed.

The National Farmers Union has said the merger would mean that three companies would have more than 80 percent of US corn seed sales and 70 percent of the global pesticide market.

Roger Johnson, president of the National Farmers Union, said in a



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statement that the vote "underscores NFU's concern that these megadeals are being made to benefit the shareholders of multinational corporations at the expense of family farmers, ranchers, consumers, and rural economies."

Both the farmers union and the Natural Resources Defense Council urged the US Department of Justice to reject the merger.

"Consolidating Monsanto and Bayer would escalate the use of dangerous toxic pesticides and create a bad deal for farmers, bees, consumers, and the planet," Rebecca Riley, senior attorney for NRDC, said.

Top officials for both companies say the merger will be a boost for farmers and the environment.

Werner Baumann, CEO of Bayer, said the acquisition of Monsanto "is driven by our strong belief that this combination can help address the growing challenges facing farmers and the overall agriculture industry today and in the future. Together, Bayer and Monsanto will be able to offer the new, innovative solutions that our customers need."

The merger calls for Bayer to pay \$57 billion to Monsanto shareholders and assume \$9 billion in Monsanto debt.

Bayer sells crop protection chemicals used to kill weeds, insects, and plant fungal diseases and also makes popular pharmaceutical products such as Bayer aspirin, Claritin allergy medicine, and Alka Seltzer. Bayer also owns Dr. Scholl's foot products and Coppertone sunscreen.

Monsanto sells seeds for fruits, vegetables, corn, soybeans, cotton, and other crops, plus Roundup weed killer. The company is a leading producer of genetically modified seeds engineered to resist drought and herbicides, among other things.

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Uber reminds its passengers: Don't have sex while in the car

By Samantha Schmidt
WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON — Uber has at times described itself as a ride-hailing service that "brings people together" — "a fun and social new way" to get people from place to place.

But some of Uber's passengers have perhaps become a bit too friendly in the back seat.

In its first guidelines specifically directed toward passengers, Uber wants people to remember: Don't have sex while riding in the car.

"That's no sexual conduct with drivers or fellow riders," it wrote in its new Community Guidelines, published Thursday.

It added: "No matter what." The company's "no-sex rule" was one of many examples of poor behavior that could cause riders to lose access to Uber. The app-based car service instructed passengers not to touch or "flirt" with other people in the car — but neglected to expand on what constituted flirting.

"We all value our personal space and privacy," the company wrote. "It's OK to chat with other people in the car. But please don't comment on someone's appearance or ask whether they are single."

The reference to flirting brought to mind a study about racial and gender discrimination in ride-sharing companies published in October by the National Bureau of Economic Research. Researchers surmised that "a combination of flirtation and profiteering" may have led to what they found was a significant difference in trip time between male and female drivers. On average, female travelers were driven 5 percent farther than males, given the same start and finish location.

In a statement, it reminded riders to follow the "universal truth" taught by all parents —



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Uber has issued behavior guidelines specifically directed toward its passengers.

treat people as you would like to be treated yourself. This means remembering not to leave trash in the car, not to vomit in the back seat after drinking too much alcohol, or not to ask a driver to break the speed limit to get to a destination more quickly.

"This is important because when drivers use Uber they do more than simply drive: they're sharing their own car, their space, their time, and a slice of who they are with passengers," the company wrote.

If it becomes aware of such problematic behavior, Uber will contact a passenger to investigate the claims, and, depending on the nature of the incident, it could put a hold on a passenger's account.

There's a much more serious side to some of Uber's rules, as well.

"Any behavior involving violence, sexual misconduct, harassment, discrimination, or illegal activity while using Uber can result in the immediate loss of your account," it wrote.

Uber's guidance comes after a series of incidents — particularly those involving alleged sexual assaults — from the past year that have at times shed a negative light on the company.

In September, an Uber driver was charged with raping a

female passenger in Dorchester, at least the third Uber driver in Massachusetts to be charged with sexual assault in two months.

In January, an Uber driver was arrested in Georgia and charged with raping a woman who called him for a ride. Last month, an Uber driver in California was charged with sexual assault after allegedly raping an unconscious 17-year-old girl.

Also last month, Uber settled a lawsuit filed by two women who sought to hold the company responsible for alleged sexual assaults by drivers. The settlement came six months after a federal judge rejected the company's argument that it couldn't be blamed for sexual attacks by drivers, whom it classifies as contractors rather than employees.

After alleged attacks on passengers in India and South Africa, the car service rolled out a panic button in some vehicles in those countries.

But not all alleged attacks have been carried out by drivers. In November 2015, a corporate Taco Bell executive was taken into custody after viciously attacking an Uber driver, slapping him on the head, swearing at him, and pulling his hair.

TALKING POINTS

REAL ESTATE

MICHAEL DELL REPORTEDLY BUYS \$11M PENTHOUSE IN MILLENNIUM TOWER

Michael Dell, whose deal to purchase EMC Corp. is bringing him to the Boston area, has reportedly paid \$11 million for a penthouse condo in Boston's Millennium Tower. A person familiar with the deal told the Globe last month that Dell was buying in Boston's new luxury tower. On Tuesday, a Suffolk County property record showed a purchase made by a company that reportedly handles investments for the Dell family at the Millennium Tower address for \$10.9 million. The purchase was for a penthouse unit and two parking spaces, according to the deed. The details of the condo's price tag were first reported by the Boston Business Journal. By mid-November, sales had closed on more than 370 of the building's 442 units, according to property records, but a number of penthouses, which range in price from \$6.4 million to \$15 million, were still set to close. Though Dell's reported purchase was for a penthouse unit, it's still a tier down from the tower's most expensive unit, the "Grand Penthouse," which sold for \$35 million to a private equity billionaire in August. — CHRISTINA PRIGNANO



STARTUPS

CAMBRIDGE INNOVATION CENTER EXPANDS TO PROVIDENCE

Cambridge Innovation Center is continuing its expansion beyond Cambridge with a new location in Providence. The Kendall Square-based startup hub signed a lease for 66,000 square feet in a new "Innovation Building" under development in downtown Providence, according to the Rhode Island Commerce Corporation. It will join an arm of Brown University as anchor tenants in the project. CIC has been pushing out from its namesake city in recent years, opening outposts in downtown Boston, St. Louis, Rotterdam, and Miami. The company — which leases space to startups and small companies and says its tenants have grown to create more than 40,000 jobs — is in talks about locations in more cities, founder and chief executive Tim Rowe has said. The company sees a lot of opportunity in Providence, Rowe said. "With its strong university base and design and arts culture, Providence already has many of the elements that we look for when considering new cities," he said. "We're looking forward to supporting and growing the local innovation ecosystem." Construction on the 191,000-square foot building, which is being developed by Wexford Science & Technology, is expected to start next year. — TIM LOGAN

PHARMACEUTICALS

SANOFI SUED OVER EPILEPSY DRUG THAT ALLEGEDLY CAUSED BIRTH DEFECTS



A French association of people affected by an epilepsy drug that caused birth defects launched a class action against pharmaceutical company Sanofi on Tuesday. APESAC president Marine Martin said Sanofi now has four months to acknowledge its responsibility before a judge takes up the case. The global drug company has been selling Depakine, the anticonvulsant drug at the center of the class action, in France since 1967. A study revealed by Le Canard Enchaîné newspaper found that Depakine was prescribed to more than 10,000 pregnant women in France between 2007 and 2014. Another report published in February estimated that around 450 children in France who were exposed to the drug while in the womb were born with congenital defects. — ASSOCIATED PRESS

BIOTECH

PROTEON THERAPEUTICS STOCK DROPS AFTER KIDNEY DRUG TRIAL RESULTS

Shares of Proteon Therapeutics Inc. plunged nearly 75 percent Tuesday after the Waltham biotech company reported that its experimental kidney disease drug failed to meet its primary goal in a late-stage clinical trial. Its shares tumbled \$7.40 to \$2.50 on the Nasdaq exchange. Ten-year-old Proteon, which went public in 2014, said it would press forward with a second late-stage study of its experimental drug, called vonapanitase. Proteon chief executive Timothy Noyes said the company has enough cash on hand to complete its second clinical trial, but may change the way it analyzes data after conferring with regulators at the Food and Drug Administration. He said no cuts are planned in Proteon's 20-person staff. — ROBERT WEISMAN

SOCIAL MEDIA

TWITTER RESTORES ACCOUNT OF WHITE NATIONALIST LEADER

Twitter has restored a white nationalist group leader's personal account less than a month after the social media company suspended it along with other accounts belonging to prominent members of the so-called "alt-right" movement. Twitter allowed Richard Spencer, head of the Montana-based National Policy Institute, to reactivate the account Saturday. The company told Spencer that it suspended five of his accounts on Nov. 15 for violating a rule against creating multiple accounts with overlapping uses. Twitter told Spencer in an e-mail that his other accounts, including ones for his group and its publishing wing, will remain suspended. Spencer has advocated for a white "ethno-state" and is among the most visible and outspoken leaders of a movement that has embraced president-elect Donald Trump's rhetoric on immigration. Last month, Spencer hosted a conference in Washington that ended with audience members mimicking Nazi salutes after Spencer shouted, "Hail Trump, hail our people, hail victory!" — ASSOCIATED PRESS



LABOR

EIFFEL TOWER CLOSED BY STRIKE



The Eiffel Tower — which is normally open every single day of the year — closed Tuesday because of a strike over salaries and working conditions. With Paris tourism already suffering, the monument's management apologized to visitors stranded at the gates of the tower, lamenting an ill-timed blow to the city's image. Unions presented management with 51 demands and have held repeated meetings in recent days with officials from the company that manages the tower, SETE. When management refused all demands related to new hires and pay raises, the unions announced a one-day strike Tuesday, according to SETE director Anne Yannic. Unions will decide later whether to extend the strike through Wednesday. The strike comes as Paris is struggling to revive tourism after a string of deadly attacks and a year marred by floods, violent labor protests, and polluted air. — ASSOCIATED PRESS

RETAIL

NORDSTROM OFFERS DIGITAL PRESENTS

Nordstrom Inc., fighting to stay relevant with consumers who are shifting their spending online, is letting shoppers digitally send each other presents this holiday season. The upscale retailer has partnered with gift card provider CashStar Inc. to let customers e-mail specific items from the retailer's website to people on their holiday lists. Recipients can accept the items that appear in their inboxes and have them shipped to their doors, exchange the merchandise for something else or accept the value as a gift card. Nordstrom is testing the e-gifting platform on its full-line website. — BLOOMBERG NEWS



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Agenda

→ MONETARY POLICY

Federal Reserve

The Federal Reserve's Open Market Committee meeting continues Wednesday. The Fed, led by chair Janet Yellen, is expected to raise rates to a range between 0.5 and 0.75 percent.



→ NETWORKING

Holiday party

The North Shore Technology Council is hosting its annual holiday party for members and nonmembers in the STEM community. The event includes networking, a raffle, and time to recognize the NSTC STEM scholarship award recipients. Wednesday, 6 to 8 p.m., Endicott College, Wylie Inn and Conference Center, 295 Hale St., Beverly. \$10 to \$20.

→ MEETUP

#MIN93

This week's Mass Innovation Night #93 will be held at Boston Winter at City Hall Plaza. Attendees will get the chance to check out new local startup projects and vote for their favorites. Professionals from the area are invited to come explore and network. Wednesday, 6 to 8:30 p.m., 1 City Hall Square, Boston. Free.

→ EVENT

Fall talent expo

Startup Institute is hosting a talent expo for its fall 2016 graduates and invites entrepreneurs, founders, and people in the tech community to come hear their pitches. Attendees will have the chance to find new team members and connect with leaders in the innovation community. Thursday, 8:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., New England Aquarium, IMAX Theater, 1 Central Wharf, Boston. Free.



→ CLASS

Python 101

Come to an introductory class on Python to learn about the programming language and how it can be used with data. Students will learn about the history of Python, the techniques and tools for it, and its applications in data analysis. Everyone must bring a laptop. Thursday, 6:30 to 9:30 p.m., General Assembly Boston, 125 Summer St., 13th floor, Boston. \$45.

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Talks underway about honoring RFK

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family. “We’ve had some preliminary discussions that are exciting but, I stress, very preliminary,” he said.

Meehan declined to elaborate, other than to say the talks could lead to a substantial gift to the school and that he’s interested in completing a deal.

Phil Johnston, a Democratic strategist and longtime Kennedy ally, would probably play a key role: He sits on the UMass Board of Trustees and on the board of Robert F. Kennedy Human Rights, an organization with offices in Washington and New York. Both Johnston and Meehan have sons named after RFK.

Johnston said several ideas are being discussed but they “haven’t taken form yet.”

“There have been communications between the university and the Robert Kennedy family and the Robert Kennedy Center for Human Rights that have been going on for a long time,” Johnston said. “No decision has been made yet. Those of us at UMass have great regard and respect for Robert Kennedy’s legacy, and we would love to have a relationship, but we’ll see as we move forward.”

Chris Kennedy, one of Robert F. Kennedy’s 11 children, said his mother, Ethel Kennedy, and other family members are open to a range of options.

“Certain intermediaries have been active to bring together some sort of partnership between the University of Massachusetts and the Kennedy family in a way to honor Robert Kennedy,” he said. “And we are very appreciative of that interest.”

One goal would be to use the establishment of a memorial project to attract potential financial donations that would be given in RFK’s honor.

“We would then want to work shoulder to shoulder with the university to try to obtain the wide range of gifts that might be available,” said Chris Kennedy, who lives in the Chicago area and is chairman of the family’s investment firm, Joseph P. Kennedy Enterprises.

Any memorial project would be likely to feature RFK’s papers — personal and professional documents from his life, particularly when he was a top adviser to President Kennedy and when he was in the Senate, representing New York. Some of those papers, from RFK’s tenure as attorney general in his brother’s administration, are currently on display at the JFK Library.

A spokeswoman for the JFK Library said it’s the repository for more than 1,700 cubic feet of RFK-related documents, including papers from the 1930s and condolences related to his assassination in June 1968 in Los Angeles. Of those documents, roughly one-third have been processed and are available to the public for research. Hundreds of sound recordings and film reels are also housed at the library, along with thousands of photos.

The JFK Library spokeswoman said the organization has not been involved with any recent discussions about the potential donation of those materials.

Chris Kennedy said there are other potential donors of papers and other objects related to his father who could come forward. And he said that his mother, Ethel Kennedy, has a “great deal of personal material” that never went to the JFK Li-

brary.

“She wants to make sure that people have access to them,” he said. “If we could all figure out a way to work together, that would be terrific.”

A Columbia Point location would be ideal, he added.

“It would be great to have whatever material my mother has land near the John F. Kennedy Library and the EMK Institute,” he said. “Obviously, Teddy had an impact on a lot of us as a surrogate father.”

John F. Kennedy was assassinated in 1963 in Dallas; Edward Kennedy died in 2009.

“The notion that some of my father’s personal material could be near his brothers’ would be great,” Chris Kennedy said. “That resonates with all of us.”

The Kennedy Library declassified thousands of documents in 2012, including many concerning RFK’s role in advising the president during the Cuban Missile Crisis. But Peter Kornbluh, a senior analyst at the National Security Archive in Washington, said many more of RFK’s documents remain unavailable to the public.

“The family has always hoped for some type of institutional recognition of Robert Kennedy, and his remaining papers are a part of that,” said Kornbluh, whose organization focuses on declassifying government documents. “It does seem like building a room or a facility or a Robert F. Kennedy Center at Columbia Point would bring the history of these three brothers geographically together. I truly hope that it works out.”

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Robert F. Kennedy greeted the crowd as he toured Long Island on Sept. 6, 1964. He was sworn in as a US senator from New York the following January.

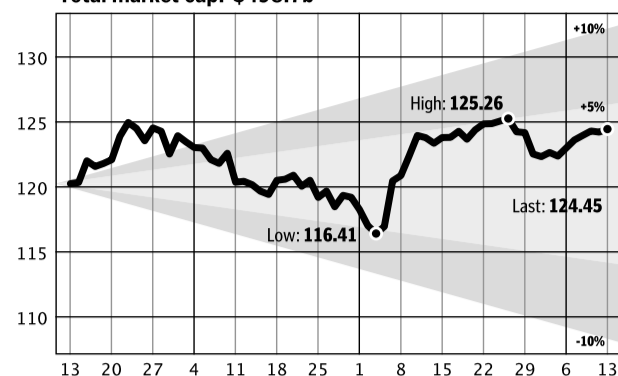
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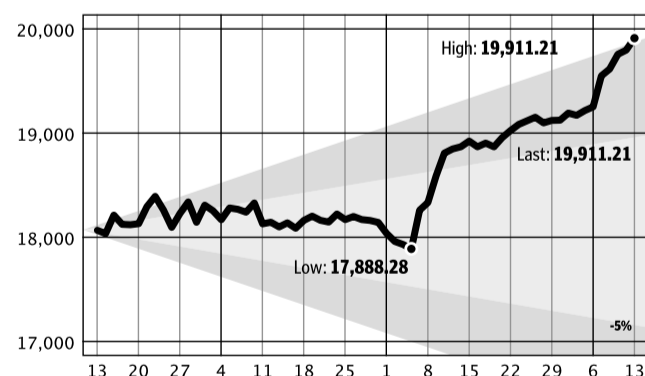
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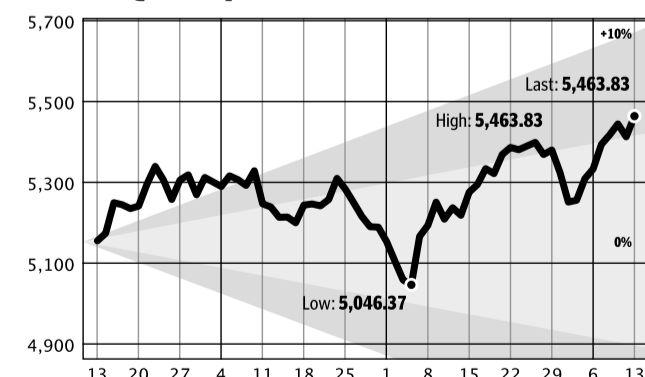
The Dow Jones industrial average on Tuesday once again rose, up more than 100 points.

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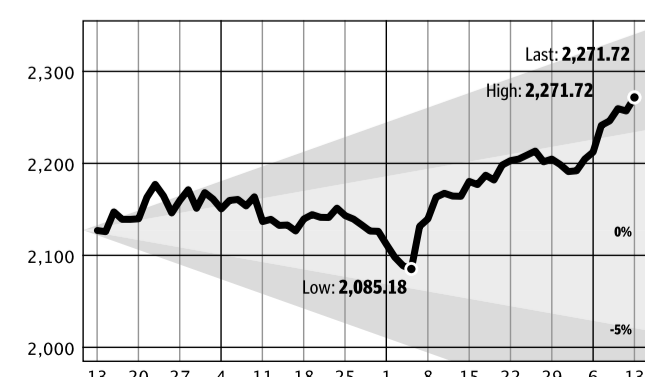
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Yesterday 5,463.83 ▲ 51.29 ▲ 0.9% ▲ YTD 9.1%

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Yesterday 2,271.72 ▲ 14.76 ▲ 0.7% ▲ YTD 11.1%

SOURCE: Bloomberg News

A Trump economy may face Fed speed bumps

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Fed is expected to raise its benchmark rate Wednesday for the first time since last December in light of new economic data. The rate sits in a range of 0.25 to 0.5 percent, a low level intended to stimulate economic growth by encouraging borrowing and risk-taking. Analysts predict the Fed will shift the range upward by a quarter of a percentage point, modestly reducing those incentives.

The rate increase is widely regarded as a foregone conclusion. The looming question is how quickly the Fed will continue to raise rates in 2017.

Stock investors don’t seem overly concerned. The Dow finished at an all-time high for the seventh consecutive trading day, climbing 114.78 points, or 0.6 percent, to 19,911.21. The Standard & Poor’s 500 index picked up 14.76 points, or 0.7 percent, to 2,271.72. The Nasdaq composite climbed 51.29 points, or 0.9 percent, to 5,463.83.

Economic forecasts always re-

quire large assumptions, but that is particularly true in the present case because Trump has provided relatively few details about his plans. Perhaps the most accurate assertion about Trump’s victory is that it has increased the uncertainty of the economic outlook.

“At this juncture, it is premature to reach firm conclusions about what will likely occur,” William C. Dudley, president of the New York Fed, said in a recent speech.

During his campaign, Trump predicted 4 percent annual growth, and his actions since Election Day point to a single-minded goal of short-term job creation.

Many economists regard such growth predictions as fanciful; the economy has been mired in an extended period of slow growth and the reasons, including an aging population and a dearth of innovation, are unlikely to change quickly. Some think Trump is more likely to push the economy into recession than to catalyze a new boom.

Even if Trump is right, however, the Fed does not want 4 percent growth. The central bank’s outlook has become increasingly gloomy. Officials estimated in September that annual growth of 1.8 percent was the maximum sustainable pace, and they predicted growth would not exceed 2 percent in the next three years. They will update those forecasts Wednesday, but large shifts are unlikely.

Fed officials also are increasingly convinced that steady job growth has substantially eliminated the post-recession backlog of people seeking work. The unemployment rate fell to 4.6 percent in November, a level the Fed regards as healthy.

For years, Fed officials urged Congress to increase fiscal spending. Now, Trump is promising to do just that — and the Fed has concluded it is too late.

Stanley Fischer, the Fed’s vice chairman, said last month the Fed might still benefit from fiscal stimulus because it could raise rates more quickly. That would increase the Fed’s ability to respond to future downturns by reducing interest rates.

But such gains would come at real cost: A fiscal stimulus would increase the federal government’s debt burden, which already is at a high level by historical standards, reducing the room for a fiscal response to a future downturn. Janet L. Yellen, the Fed’s chairwoman, urged Congress last month to be mindful that the government is already on the hook for more spending as baby boomers age into retirement.

“With the debt-to-GDP ratio at around 77 percent, there’s not a lot of fiscal space, should a shock to the economy occur, an adverse shock, that did require fiscal stimulus,” she said.

The tension between fiscal and monetary policy is likely to unfold in slow motion.

Trump has promised to press for rapid changes in government policy, but Congress is not built for speed. The impact of new tax cuts, and any increase in infrastructure spending that Trump can persuade dubious Republicans to embrace, would be felt mostly in future years.

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The US Postal Service estimates that it will handle 750 million packages over the holidays.

How to deal with the cardboard tsunami

→ Tips for recycling those boxes your Christmas packages come in

By Hae Young Yoo
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As online purchases soar during the holiday season, consumers face a growing pile of the cardboard boxes and plastic pouches used by Amazon and other retailers.

What can you recycle? And are there greener options for nonrecyclables than throwing them in the regular trash? More on that in a bit, but first some stats.

US e-commerce sales topped \$101 billion in the third quarter of 2016, a 15.7 percent increase from the same time a year ago, according to estimates by the US Census Bureau. More people are shopping for everyday items online, and gifts for the holidays are no exception.

FedEx expects another record holiday season, with peak volume 10 percent higher than last year, and the US Postal Service expects to handle around 750 million packages nationwide between Thanksgiving and New Year's Day, up 12 percent from the same period a year before.

USPS does not track the numbers for cardboard packages, but spokesman Steve Doherty said it's safe to say a large percentage is shipped in those ubiquitous brown boxes.

Bob Cappadona, vice president of Casella Recycling in Charlestown, the company that handles residential curbside recycling for the City of Boston, said he's seen an increase in cardboard at his facility. Five years ago, cardboard made up 8 to 9 percent of the residential recycling stream. Now it's up to 13 to 14 percent.

"Definitely in this time of the year, we see a percentage [increase in cardboard] from online shopping," Cappadona said.

The good news is that Boston does a good job recycling cardboard. The city switched to single-stream recycling in 2009, which means all recyclable items can be put in the same bin out on the curb.

The recycling rate jumped from 9 percent to over 20 percent today.

Sticker labels on the cardboard are fine, too, said Rob DeRosa, Boston's superintendent of waste reduction, but he asks that residents make sure boxes are clean, flattened, and tied together so they don't blow away.

Unfortunately, bubble wrap and plastic-coated bubble wrap envelopes used to ship flat or smaller items are not fit for single-stream. These packaging materials fall under the film classification and do not belong in recycling bins. But many end up there anyway.

"We do not want to see them on the curbs," Cappadona said. "They are our number one contaminant."

Cappadona recommends that residents bring those items to the plastic shopping bag collection bins found in select grocery stores that also take these film packing materials, including a few Star Market and Stop & Shop locations, and all Whole Foods stores.

Residents can put all recyclable materials in a bin or cart and put it out on the curb; those who live in the downtown area without bins can buy the city's official clear plastic bags found in local stores and do the same. Wrapping paper gets recycled, but Christmas lights do not.

Christmas trees can also be put out on the curb on recycling days starting the first week of January. The trees must be bare, with no ornaments or stand, and will be picked up and recycled.

DeRosa said residents can refer to the city's Trash Day app to view their neighborhood's trash and recycling schedules, but that recycling really should be the last step.

"Recycling is the last of the three R's," DeRosa said. "Reduce what you buy, reuse what you purchase, and then recycle."

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Senate to try again on health costs

'Any changes you make to health care law are not things you're going to see realistic savings after two years.'

SENATOR
JAMES WELCH

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About a dozen people, including aides and administration officials, will make the two-day trip, which is financed by the Milbank Memorial Fund, a private New York-based foundation that seeks to educate legislators in health policy.

Massachusetts is considered a leader in health care for its highly ranked teaching hospitals and near universal access to insurance coverage. But costs here are among the highest in the nation. Spending on medical care in Massachusetts grew more than 4 percent annually in 2015 and 2014. That exceeded a goal of keeping increases to 3.6 percent, a benchmark established in the 2012 law.

That law, known as Chapter 224, also created two new agencies, the Health Policy Commission and the Center for Health Information and Analysis, to track health care market activity and spending.

"When you see the kinds of numbers we're beginning to see here in Massachusetts... It's getting a little out of hand," Chandler said. "We're getting back at an acceleration point that is re-

ally requiring us to think about what can we learn from other states. We don't have to reinvent the wheel here."

John E. McDonough, professor at the Harvard T. H. Chan School of Public Health, said lawmakers are right to stay focused on the issue.

"It's not too early to start assessing," he said. "We've had the Health Policy Commission now for three years, and maybe it's time to kick the tires on it and see how it's doing and say, 'Are there additional things we could be doing?'"

Lynn Nicholas, president of the Massachusetts Health and Hospital Association, said by e-mail that the hospital industry is open to hearing ideas that other states have used to tackle costs.

But she said "it's important to note that Chapter 224 has not yet reached its full potential but is working in many respects. The hospital cost trend overall is well below the benchmark, but areas that caused the state to miss the mark, like the growing costs of pharmaceuticals, should be examined."

The Massachusetts Association of Health Plans, which rep-

resents insurers, also said drug spending deserves attention. "State reports have shown that increases in prices that providers charge and the cost of prescription drugs are the major reasons health care costs continue to rise and our hope is that any legislation to contain costs start there," senior vice president Eric Linzer said by e-mail.

Spending on prescription drugs increased 10.2 percent in 2015 after rising 13.5 percent in 2014, according to state data.

Senator James Welch, who co-chairs the Joint Committee on Health Care Financing, cautioned that progress in controlling spending could take time.

"Any changes you make to health care law are not things you're going to see realistic savings after two years," he said. "If you're really talking about trying to take substantial cost out of the system, we're talking about potentially five, 10 years, decades down the road."

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Luxury condos get key approval

By Tim Logan
GLOBE STAFF

A controversial project to build 18 luxury town houses near Faulkner Hospital in West Roxbury received unanimous approval from the Boston Zoning Board of Appeals Tuesday.

The proposal had become a flashpoint for a group of residents, who say it would overwhelm a quiet, woody neighborhood near the border of Jamaica Plain and Brookline, and the Walsh administration, which backed it because of its environmental aspects.

The developer, Jacqueline Nunez, principal of WonderGroup, said the homes would be the first "net-zero" residential complex in Boston — meaning the complex will offset its energy consumption by generating its own electricity on site.

"It's right in line with the city's climate action plan," which promotes green building techniques, said Nunez. "This is how we need to be building in this city."

The 2-acre property was zoned for single-family use and is tucked into an unusual pocket that includes the 86-acre Allandale Woods conservation land, open space and Allandale Farm. Putting so many town houses on the property required dozens of zoning variances, and neighbors and residents of the nearby Springhouse retirement community argued the project's potential benefits were not worth threatening Allandale Woods and upending the rules that govern building in the area.

"Zoning has to have some meaning," said Jamaica Plain resident Polly Selkoe. "Quite frankly, a sustainable develop-



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ment, which is laudable, is not one of the criteria for a zoning variance."

Representatives of several City Council members testified against the project, but it has strong support from Mayor Martin J. Walsh and the Boston Planning & Development Agency. A BPDA staffer said the project "aims to be a national model for sustainability" and noted that Nunez's group has agreed to contribute \$50,000 for upkeep of Allandale Woods.

Opponents have also highlighted the project's high costs. Nunez said it will cost at least \$1 million per unit just to build. That, critics say, would put the town houses far out of reach for the middle-class Bostonians for whom Walsh says he wants to build more housing.

But Nunez said Boston

needs more housing at all price points. She has scaled back the project by two units to appease neighbors and said that nothing built in the area would sell for less than \$1 million each.

"That's just the neighborhood," Nunez said. "For me to have priced these at \$500,000, we would have had to build much more densely."

The project still needs final design approval from the BPDA. Once that's in hand, Nunez said, she hopes to start construction next fall. Some neighborhood groups are considering a lawsuit against the project, said Tony LaCasse, a Roslindale resident who is involved in the effort.

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Trade

GE in the spotlight for Baker's pitch in Israel

→ Governor urges entrepreneurs to consider Mass. investments

By Hiawatha Bray
GLOBE STAFF

In Tel Aviv Tuesday, Massachusetts Governor Charlie Baker urged Israeli tech entrepreneurs to follow the lead of industrial giant General Electric Co. and boost their investments in the Bay State.

GE's move to Massachusetts "speaks volumes about where GE's corporate future lies and about Massachusetts' economic competitiveness," Baker said to an audience of about 300 Israeli technology entrepreneurs.

He was accompanied by a trio of high-ranking GE executives — Michael Idelchik, vice president of advanced technologies for GE Global Research, Mark Hutchinson, chief executive of GE Europe, and Oded Meirav, manager of GE's technology center in Israel.

GE, with nearly \$130 billion in annual revenue, agreed in January to relocate its corporate headquarters from Connecticut to the Boston wa-

terfront. The move will bring about 800 jobs to Boston, as well as the intellectual and corporate clout of one of the world's leading technology companies.

Touting Massachusetts' highly educated and innovative workforce, Baker implored Israeli companies to take advantage of the state's entrepreneurial culture.

"Four in every ten Massachusetts workers work in innovation," Baker said, "and because we boast an innovation ecosystem of unparalleled density, there is no better place in the world for you to expand, and grow to scale, than Massachusetts."

Baker's trip to Israel is his first foreign trade trip as governor. His predecessor, Deval Patrick, made 10 foreign trips during his eight years in office, including two visits to Israel, in 2011 and 2014.

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Small business has big hopes for Trump

Business owners who voted for Trump dismissed the social unrest his victory has unleashed, saying he should be given a chance.

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priority in his first 100 days, small-business owners rejoiced. Trump pledged to formulate a rule that for every new regulation created his administration would eliminate two existing ones.

Companies large and small tend to bristle at what they see as meddling by the government. For small businesses, compliance costs can be onerous or take a big bite out of profits, whether it's the pile of paperwork needed to get a government-backed business loan or meeting Obamacare requirements.

We have regulations for a reason. To protect consumers — or companies themselves — from getting a raw deal. But for some small-business owners, our government has gone too far.

"Governments don't create value. They don't create jobs. All they do is take from the system," said Bruce Stevens, CEO of Berkshire Blanket & Home Co., a Ware company with

about 50 employees and \$100 million in annual sales. "Regulation is strangling."

Stevens thinks Trump's policies can stimulate the economy, and in turn, consumers will feel good about spending again. If they open up their wallets, Stevens can expand and hire.

"This is not rocket science," he said.

Stevens isn't even fazed by Trump's talk about slapping tariffs on products from China, where his company makes most of its blankets and throws. Stevens thinks it was all a "bit of bravado" on the part of candidate Trump, and that his administration will do the right thing on trade.

"Free trade is the way to go, but it has to be fair and honest from one country to the next," said Stevens.

The only reason Stevens and other companies manufacturer in China is to keep consumer prices low. "There isn't anyone who wants to do it overseas if we didn't have to," he said.

But this being a Massachusetts, where Trump

captured just a third of the votes, I had to ask all these business types how they felt about the social unrest a Trump victory has unleashed. How do you explain endorsing someone who has engaged in locker room talk that demeans women? How do you address the white supremacists who want to take back the country under Trump?

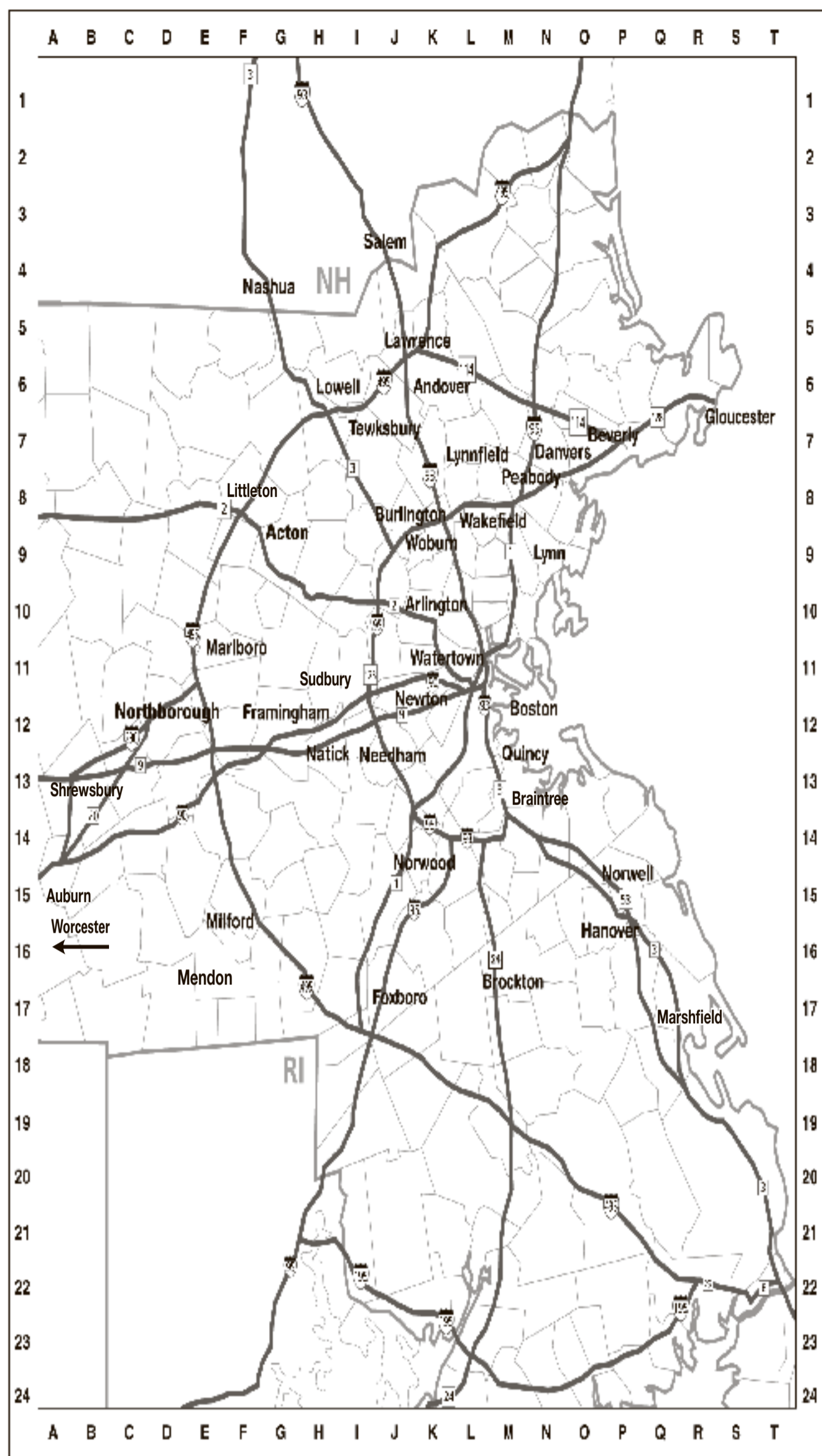
Their bottom line: Give him a chance to prove himself.

"If he doesn't do well or makes mistakes, the beautiful thing about this country is four years from now you don't reelect him," said Stevens.

He's right, but a lot of damage can be done to our social fabric in four years. But Trump is our president now. Let's hope that making America great applies not just to the economy, but to the public discourse Trump can lead about the important issues that divide us.

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DEFENSIVE SIGNALS

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Patriots seem to be jelling at the right time

Bill Belichick likes to say that the first four games of the regular season are almost like an extension of the pre-season, with the coaching staff needing the early games to figure out how to best use its personnel.

After Monday night's impressive 30-23 win over the Ravens, the Patriots' defense is finally hitting its stride. All it took was a "midseason pre-season" stretch of the schedule, and a total reevaluation of the Patriots' defense.

Belichick hit the reset button on the defense during the bye week, trading away Jamie Collins and starting fresh with new personnel such as Shea McClellin, Kyle Van Noy, and Eric Rowe.

The first game against the Seahawks was atrocious. But they played three offensively challenged teams in a row — the 49ers, Jets, and Rams — and used this easy stretch to evaluate their personnel and figure out the best ways to use their new guys.

They have settled into a nice rota-

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JIM DAVIS / GLOBE STAFF

Rob Ninkovich and Chris Long embraced the moment after Ninkovich sacked the Ravens' Joe Flacco in the fourth quarter on Monday night.

DAN SHAUGHNESSY

Give up on Deflategate



They are like those random Japanese soldiers who combed the jungles of the Philippines and kept fighting World War II years after Japan's formal surrender in 1945.

They are the Deflategate Truthers and they got some new energy in recent days when Jay Glazer of Fox Sports reported that the Giants sent a couple of suspiciously deflated footballs to the NFL office after losing to the Pittsburgh Steelers Dec. 4 at Heinz Field.

The report was shot down swiftly by the league office with this statement: "The officiating game ball procedures were followed and there were

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PLAYOFF SCENARIOS: WEEK 15

NEW ENGLAND CAN CLINCH THE AFC EAST DIVISION TITLE WITH:

- 1) NE win or tie OR
- 2) MIA loss or tie

NEW ENGLAND CAN CLINCH A FIRST-ROUND BYE WITH:

- 1) NE win or tie OR
- 2) MIA loss or tie + PIT loss or tie OR
- 3) MIA loss or tie + KC win



JIM DAVIS/GLOBE

Tom Brady and the Patriots are eyeing a first-round bye.

Postseason starting to take shape

By Alex Speier
 GLOBE STAFF

Once again, the final weeks of December represent little more than an exercise in determining playoff seeding for the Patriots. With three weeks to go, the Patriots own a three-game advantage over the Dolphins in the AFC East, needing one more win (or one more Miami loss) to clinch their eighth straight division title.

Of course, the absurdly high bar for judging New England's success isn't whether they win the AFC East. The regular-season goal in front of the Patriots remains fairly clear: Top seed.

The Patriots have entered January as the AFC's top seed on five occasions during the Tom Brady/Bill Belichick era. They've reached the Super Bowl in four of those, winning two.

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FILE PHOTO

Terry Rozier was just starting his sophomore year with the Louisville Cardinals when he met leukemia patient Patrick McSweeney (right).

Celtics' Rozier stayed connected

By Adam Himmelsbach
 GLOBE STAFF

That November afternoon two years ago was one of the best days of Patrick McSweeney's life, a day he could block out all the chemotherapy and T-cell treatments and bone marrow transplants. But he wasn't sure if Celtics guard Terry Rozier would remember.

Nevertheless, when McSweeney, 17, attended the Celtics' road game against the Philadelphia 76ers on Saturday during a break from medical treatments, he packed the old basketball jersey, just in case. And he waited.

One day in the summer of 2004, McSweeney was at a youth swim meet in Louisville, his hometown, and struggling to make it across the pool. His mother, Debbie, tried coaxing him with his favorite candy, but he ended up just wrapping his arms around the lane dividers.

He had developed his third fever in three months and was diagnosed with strep throat. But he also was tired and bruising easily and Debbie, a nurse, knew something was wrong. Then her son was diagnosed with leukemia.

He underwent three years and three months of chemotherapy before

the disease went into remission. But he relapsed three times over the next seven years, including after he received a bone marrow transplant from his brother, Joey.

In 2014, Patrick underwent experimental T-cell therapy at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. He wanted to be cured and to just feel normal, and he wanted to play basketball, his primary respite.

His cousins in Cincinnati had become diehard Celtics fans while living in Boston, and they'd passed down this allegiance. He also loved his home-

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McDaniels not concerned with open jobs

By **Nora Princiotti**
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

A head coaching gig just opened up in sunny California, but **Josh McDaniels** swears he's keeping his head down in New England. McDaniels said on a conference call Tuesday morning that he isn't focusing on whether he might interview for the job with the Los Angeles Rams, who fired **Jeff Fisher** on Monday.

"I'm really not — I've already spoken my piece on that," McDaniels said. "I have a short week to get ready for a great opponent and I'm focused on the Broncos."

"I know there are a lot of things going on out there but my focus and my attention is going to stay right here in the building on the team that we have to get ready for and how we can prepare our team to play the best they can on Sunday."

McDaniels was not shy in expressing his desire for a second shot as a head coach when

the subject came up earlier in the year.

The 40-year-old has some history with the Rams, having been the team's offensive coordinator under **Steve Spagnuolo** in 2011. McDaniels has stated he'd only want a job he thought was a perfect fit, unlike his short-lived stint as head coach in Denver in 2009 and 2010.

Coming to grips

Rookie **Cyrus Jones's** night as a punt returner was over after he muffed a punt in the third quarter Monday. It was Jones's fifth fumble of the season, but coach **Bill Belichick** stopped short of saying he would remove Jones on punt returns.

"We turned the ball over three times and that's three too many. So we've got to do a better job of coaching and a better job of playing to eliminate those turnovers," Belichick said.

Belichick was asked, again, to rate his level of confidence in Jones.

"On the ball that hit him,

the returner, I mean any punt returner, once we don't field the ball then we have to get out of the way and keep it from hitting us," Belichick said. "Yeah, that's a fundamental thing. But relative to ball security, I mean we all have to do a better job of taking care of the ball. We turned it over three times and all of those players and all of the other players — we've got to do a better job of it."

The Patriots are in a tricky situation with Jones. They tried replacing him on punt returns with **Danny Amendola** earlier in the season, and Amendola got hurt on a return. The team can't afford to have the same thing happen to **Julian Edelman**, **James White**, or **Dion Lewis**, who all played on special teams against the Ravens Monday night.

"We have confidence in all of our players," Belichick said. "We've seen [**Matthew Slater**] fumble before. We've seen [**Tom Brady**] throw an interception before, too. We'll always do what we feel is best for the football team based on the situa-

tion and the particular game and what we're dealing with."

Running pays off

The Ravens began Monday's game with the No. 1 run defense in the NFL so, naturally, the Patriots played a pass-heavy game. Brady threw 38 passes, 25 of which were caught for 406 yards.

The Patriots' run game was far from abandoned, though, and netted 95 yards on 26 carries. Belichick is no believer in balance for balance's sake, but the steady gains on the ground set up many of Brady's big plays through the air.

"Some of those runs, the accumulation of them can pay off later on in the game and it also helped our play-action," Belichick said. "We were able to create some big plays with our play-action passes to our receivers and tight ends and some of the check-downs to the backs."

Belichick pointed out that two key plays, the flea-flicker from **LeGarrette Blount** to **Brady** to **Chris Hogan** in the third

Patriots 30, Ravens 23

Monday night game at Gillette Stadium

Baltimore (7-6)	0	3	14	6	-	23
New England (11-2)	9	7	7	7	-	30

First quarter
NE — M.Brown safety, 10:47.
NE — Blount 1 run (Gostkowski kick), 8:45.
Bal — FG Tucker 50, 0:11.

Second quarter
NE — Mitchell 6 pass from Brady (Gostkowski kick), 9:28.
Bal — Waller 3 pass from Flacco (Tucker kick), 6:50.
Bal — Dixon 8 pass from Flacco (Tucker kick), 5:24.

Third quarter
NE — Bennett 19 pass from Brady (Gostkowski kick), 9:28.
Bal — Waller 3 pass from Flacco (Tucker kick), 6:50.
Bal — Dixon 8 pass from Flacco (Tucker kick), 5:24.

Fourth quarter
Bal — FG Tucker 38, 6:35.
NE — Hogan 79 pass from Brady (Gostkowski kick), 6:18.
Bal — FG Tucker 37, 2:03.

Total yards	348	496
Penalties-yards	8-47	5-48
Time of possession	30:46	29:14

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING—Bal, Dixon 11-39, West 2-2, Flacco 1-1; NE, Blount 18-72, Lewis 3-14, Hogan 2-7, White 2-3, Brady 1-(-1)

PASSING—Bal, Flacco 37-52-1-32; NE, Brady 25-38-1-406

RECEIVING—Bal, Dixon 8-42, Wallace 5-52, Smith Sr. 4-57, West 4-24, Pitta 4-16, Perriman 3-52, Juszczyk 3-46, Boyle 3-15, Aiken 1-10, Moore 1-5, Waller 1-3; NE, Edelman 7-73, Hogan 5-129, Bennett 4-70, Mitchell 4-41, J.White 3-81, Blount 1-7, Lewis 1-5, Develin 0-0

INTERCEPTIONS—Bal, Weddle 1-14; NE, McCourty 1-0

MISSED FIELD GOALS—Bal, Tucker, 34 (Blocked)

quarter and Brady's 79-yard pass to Hogan in the fourth, were easier to execute because the Ravens were forced to re-

spect the running game. "When you throw it for 400 yards or whatever it was, some of the passing game is set up by the running game," Belichick said.

The Patriots' smaller, shifter backs, such as Lewis and White, seemed to match up better against the Ravens because of their skills in the passing game, but Blount the bruiser still wound up with 72 yards and a touchdown on 18 carries.

McDaniels said the Patriots felt confident they could try to establish Blount because, at minimum, they're not worried he'll turn the ball over.

Sight to see

ESPN's "Monday Night Football" broadcast of the Patriots-Ravens game tied the Giants-Vikings game in Week 4 and the Steelers-Redskins game in Week 1 for the network's highest-rated broadcast of the season with a household rating of 9.1.

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Dolphins Pro Bowl center Mike Pouncey (51) was placed on season-ending injured reserve because of a hip injury.

Pouncey finished for season

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Mike Pouncey's season is over and his career in question. The Dolphins' three-time Pro Bowl center was placed on season-ending injured reserve Tuesday because of a hip injury that limited him to five games.

Miami also signed veteran quarterback **T.J. Yates**, who took Pouncey's roster spot and will back up **Matt Moore** on Saturday at the Jets. The Dolphins (8-5) were in the market for a reinforcement at quarterback in the wake of starter **Ryan Tannehill's** knee injury.

In addition, the Dolphins decided defensive end **Dion Jordan** will remain on the reserve non-football injury list for the rest of the season, delaying until 2017 his return from a long suspension and knee surgery.

Pouncey missed the first four games while he recovered from hip surgery, played in five consecutive games, and was then sidelined again.

Running back **Jay Ajayi** had

back-to-back 200-yard games with Pouncey in the lineup.

The 27-year-old Pouncey was a Pro Bowl player in 2013-15. His hip problems date at least to 2014, when he missed the first four games of the season because of an injury.

Ravens drop Hester

Kick returner **Devin Hester** was cut by the Ravens after the four-time Pro Bowler struggled in his first year with the team. Signed as a free agent following offseason toe surgery, Hester returned only 25 punts and fumbled four times. Hester, 34, often let the ball drop instead of making a fair catch. After he failed to field a punt early in Monday night's game against New England, the ball was downed at the 1-yard line and the Patriots got a safety on the next play . . . The Ravens say former tight end **Konrad Reuland** has died at the age of 29 following a brain aneurysm. Coach **John Harbaugh** opened his postgame news conference after Monday night's loss to the Patriots by announcing Reu-

land's death. Reuland was attempting to recover from a brain aneurysm he suffered last month. A Ravens spokesman says Reuland's mother informed the team that he died Monday.

London lineup set

The Jaguars, Dolphins, Browns and Rams will be the home teams for next season's games in London. The Ravens will play Jacksonville in either Week 3 or 4 of the 2017 schedule. That game will be at Wembley Stadium, as will the Saints vs. Miami, again in one of those weeks. Cleveland will host the Vikings at Twickenham, where the NFL first played this year, in Week 7 or 8. The Cardinals take on Los Angeles at Twickenham in one of those weeks as well . . . After sticking with kicker **Mike Nugent** during the worst slump of his 12-year career, the Bengals gave up on him and signed **Randy Bullock** off waivers. Nugent was 23 of 29 on field-goal attempts and missed five of his past nine extra-point tries.

The look of the postseason starts to take shape

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The Patriots have claimed the No. 2 seed five times in the last 15 seasons, advancing to the Super Bowl twice while getting knocked out in the AFC Championship game three times — all in the last four seasons (last year and 2013 on the road in Denver, in 2012 at home to Baltimore). It's particularly easy to imagine a different outcome had last year's AFC title game been in Foxborough instead of Denver.

It thus seems appropriate that it is Denver's remaining schedule that likely will determine who enters the playoffs as the AFC's top seed. The Broncos — who, despite a modest 8-5 record, have the second best point differential in the AFC (+54), behind only New England — will host the Patriots (currently the AFC's top seed at 11-2), travel to Kansas City (the current No. 2 seed at 10-3), and host the Raiders (No. 3 at 10-3, but trailing the Chiefs in the division tiebreaker).

Here's a look at the potential road to the AFC's top seed for the Patriots, Chiefs, and Raiders:

New England

Current position: No. 1 seed (11-2)
Remaining schedule: At Broncos (8-5), vs. Jets (4-9), at Dolphins (8-5)

Tiebreakers: If the Patriots and Chiefs end up with the same record, they'd also have the same conference record. Their tiebreaker likely would come down to record against common opponents. The Patriots are 3-0 against common opponents with two games remaining (Broncos, Jets), while the Chiefs are 2-2 with one game remaining

(Broncos). So: If the Patriots beat either the Broncos or Jets, or if the Chiefs lose to the Broncos, the Patriots would own the tiebreaker of common opponents. Boiled down more simply: If the Patriots win one of their next two games, they'd effectively have a two-game lead over the Chiefs.

If the Raiders end up tying the Patriots' regular-season record, they would finish with the same conference record. Oakland holds the common-opponent tiebreaker against the Patriots, having gone 4-0 against shared opponents compared with New England's 3-1 record, but both teams are scheduled to play one more game against Denver. If the Patriots lose to Denver this week and Oakland beats San Diego, the teams will have 11-3 records, and Oakland will have the tiebreaker in its favor — so long as the Raiders win the AFC West.

But, because the Chiefs have swept the Raiders, Oakland would need to gain a game on Kansas City over the final three games of the season to position itself to have tiebreakers matter against New England. If the Raiders enter the playoffs as a wild card, then New England would automatically get a higher seed.

Comments: The Patriots' schedule is arguably the most challenging, with road games against good teams (Denver, and Miami in January). A year ago, it was a road loss in the final week of the regular season in Miami that cost the Patriots the top seed. New England's position is still a strong one if they can win one game against the Broncos or Jets in the next two weeks; if that happens, they'd need just one additional win to lock up the AFC's top seed so long as Kansas City wins the AFC West.

Kansas City

Current position: No. 2 seed (10-3)
Remaining schedule: vs. Titans (7-6), vs. Broncos (8-5), at Chargers (5-8)

Tiebreakers: Kansas City has secured the tiebreaker against the Raiders with two wins against Oakland.

New England has the common-opponents advantage. Assuming that the Patriots win at least one game in the next two weeks, the Chiefs have to win all three of their remaining games and have the Patriots suffer two losses to gain the AFC's top seed.

Comments: The Chiefs have the benefit of home games against their best two remaining opponents. San Diego has a positive point differential (plus-3 for the season), suggesting a team that may be better than its record indicates.

Oakland

Current position: No. 5 seed (10-3)
Remaining schedule: at Chargers (5-8), vs. Colts (6-7), at Broncos (8-5)

Tiebreakers: It's a good news/bad news scenario for Oakland. Oakland needs to win the AFC West outright since it has lost the tiebreaker to Kansas City. If the Raiders win out to finish at 13-3 and the Chiefs lose once, the Patriots would have to win all three of their remaining games in order to wrestle the top seed from Oakland.

Comments: Oakland has the most favorable remaining schedule, though it is the only team requiring losses from both of its competitors for the top seed in order to secure home field throughout the playoffs.

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NFL playoff picture

Six teams in each conference — the four division winners plus two wild-card teams — make the playoffs. The two division winners in each conference with the best records get first-round byes.

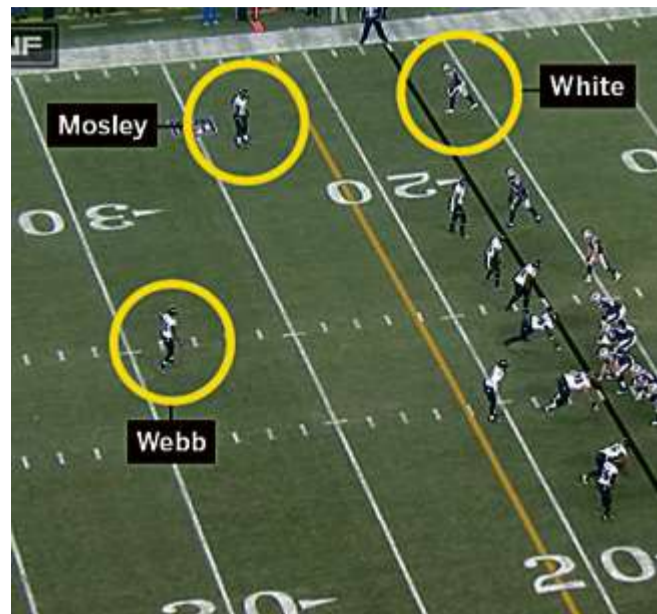
AFC	All	Div.	Conf.	Remaining games
New England	11-2	3-1	8-1	at Den., NYJ, at Mia.
Kansas City	10-3	4-0	7-2	Ten., Den., at SD
Pittsburgh	8-5	2-1	6-3	at Cin., Bal., Cle.
Houston	7-6	4-0	5-4	Jax., Cin., at Ten.
Oakland	10-3	2-2	7-2	at SD, Ind., at Den.
Denver	8-5	1-3	5-4	NE, at KC, Oak.
Miami	8-5	2-1	5-4	at NYJ, at Buf., NE
Baltimore	7-6	4-0	7-3	Phi., at Pit., at Cin.
Tennessee	7-6	1-3	4-5	at KC, at Jax., Hou.
Indianapolis	6-7	2-3	4-6	at Min., at Oak., Jax.
Buffalo	6-7	1-3	3-6	Cle., Mia., at NYJ
Cincinnati	5-7-1	2-2	4-5	Pit., at Hou., Bal.
San Diego	5-8	1-3	4-5	Oak., at Cle., KC
NFC	All	Div.	Conf.	Remaining games
p-Dallas	11-2	3-2	7-2	TB, Det., at Phi.
Detroit	9-4	3-2	7-2	at NYG, at Dal., GB
Seattle	8-4-1	1-1-1	4-4-1	LA, Ari., at SF
Atlanta	8-5	3-1	6-3	SF, at Car., NO
NY Giants	9-4	3-1	6-3	Det., at Phi., at Was.
Tampa Bay	8-5	3-1	6-3	at Dal., at NO, Car.
Washington	7-5-1	3-2	5-4	Car., at Chi., NYG
Minnesota	7-6	1-3	4-6	Ind., at GB, Chi.
Green Bay	7-6	2-1	5-4	at Chi., Min., at Det.
Arizona	5-7-1	2-1-1	4-4-1	NO, at Sea., at LA
New Orleans	5-8	1-3	4-5	at Ari., TB, at Atl.
Carolina	5-8	1-3	4-5	at Was., Atl., at TB
Philadelphia	5-8	0-4	3-7	at Bal., NYG, Dal.

p — Clinched playoff berth
TIEBREAKERS: The first three tiebreakers within a division are head-to-head, division record, and record vs. common opponents; the first three for a wild-card spot involving teams not in the same division are record-to-head, conference record, and record vs. common opponents.

PATRIOTS REPLAY

BY BEN VOLIN | GLOBE STAFF

More than they can chew



Twice the Patriots got the free safety to bite, and took advantage with a big play.

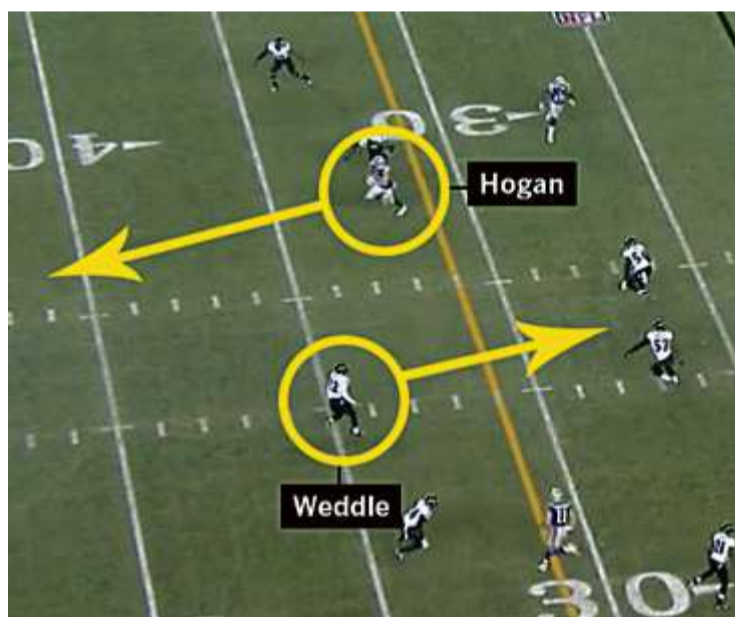
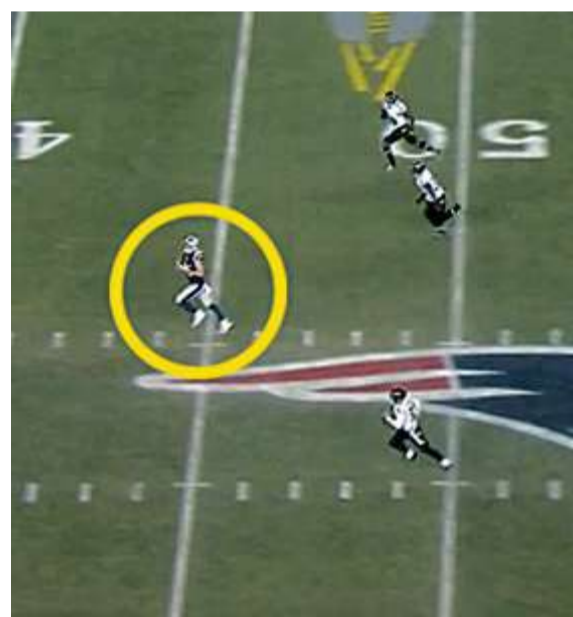
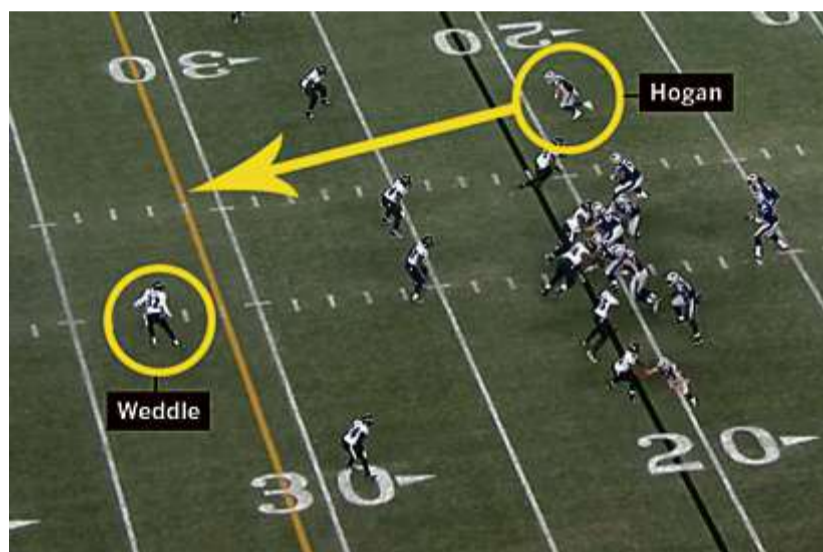
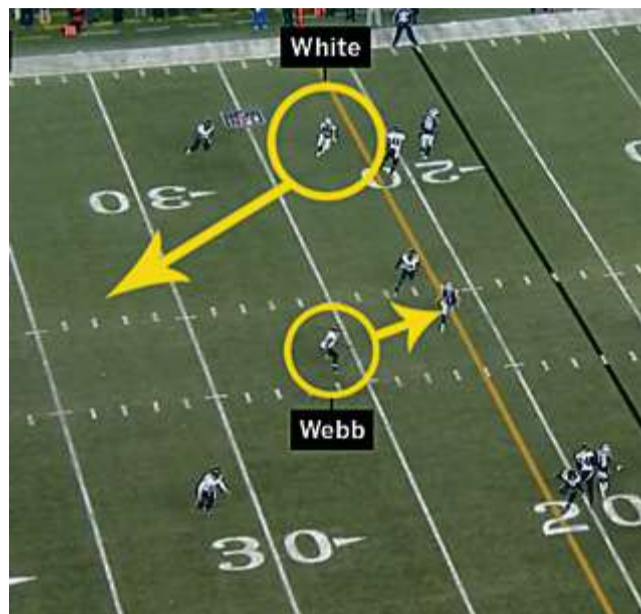
ABOVE: James White lined up on the outside against C.J. Mosley, with free safety Lardarius Webb in the middle of the field.

ABOVE RIGHT: Webb sat down on Julian Edelman running underneath, opening up the deep middle portion of the field for White for a 61-yard catch-and-run.

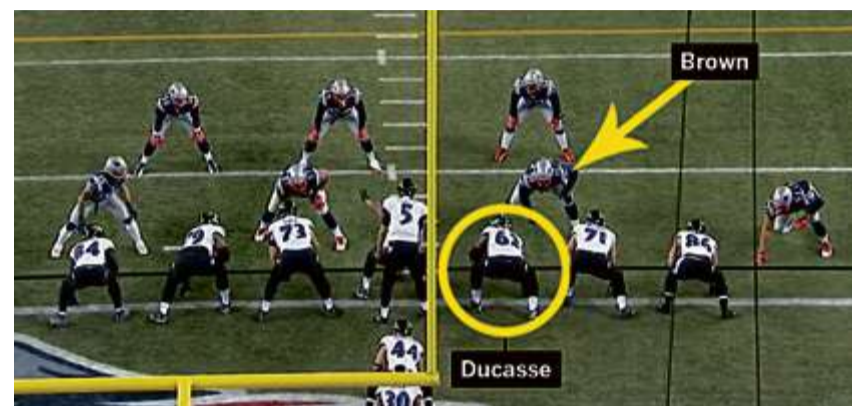
RIGHT: And late in the fourth quarter, Chris Hogan lined up in the slot with Eric Weddle playing center field.

BELOW: Tom Brady's play-fake made Weddle hesitate just enough that Hogan blew right past him.

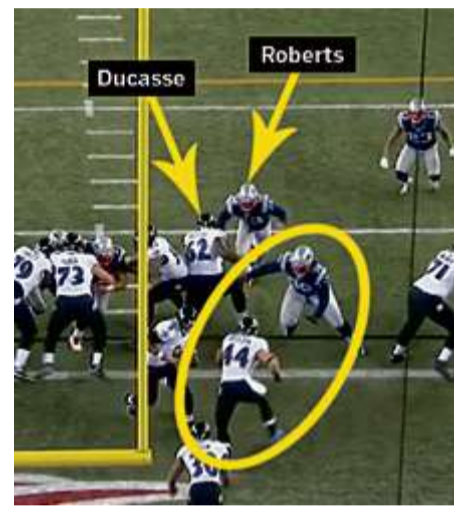
BELOW RIGHT: And look how far behind the defense Hogan was when he made the catch.



Safety dance



The key to the safety was right guard Vlad Ducasse, who lined up over Malcom Brown.



LEFT: But Ducasse blocked Elandon Roberts, leaving Brown one-on-one with the fullback.

ABOVE: Advantage: Brown.

Jump around



Shea McClellin was being magnanimous by crediting his teammates for helping him block Justin Tucker's 35-yard field goal. But McClellin was already halfway over the center before the Ravens even got out of their stance. This was great timing and athleticism by McClellin.

By all defensive signals, Patriots appear to be jelling at right time

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tion at defensive end, with Chris Long, Trey Flowers, Jabbaal Sheard, and Rob Ninkovich each playing 35-45 snaps per game. Van Noy has 14 tackles, a sack, an interception, and two passes batted down as a hybrid pass rusher/linebacker. McClellin and Van Noy also play about 35 snaps per game, sending undersized and struggling rookie Elandon Roberts back to the bench.

And defensive coordinator Matt Patricia is picking his spots better. The Patriots didn't blitz Joe Flacco often on Monday night, but a six-man blitz on third and 4 resulted in a huge sack for Ninkovich on third down late in the game. Patricia has also been getting creative, unleashing Dont'a Hightower, Logan Ryan, and Patrick Chung on blitzes the last few weeks.

Allowing only 10 points to the Rams last week was nice, but Monday's performance was the real test. The Ravens have a big-game quarterback, speedy veteran receiver, and a smart head coach.

The Patriots' defense responded with perhaps its best — or at least most clutch — performance of the season. The Ravens' only touchdowns came off two turnovers deep in Patriots' territory. The Patriots sacked Flacco twice, forced a safety, and limited a hot Ravens team to 348 yards and three field goals.

It took a while, but the Patriots just may have figured out their defensive formula as they prepare for the playoffs.

When the Patriots had the ball ...

■ Ravens defensive coordinator Dean Pees mostly played it safe against Tom Brady, as most teams have been doing this year. Brady dropped back to pass 40 times, and Pees only blitzed on eight snaps.

Pees was conservative in between the 20s, though the Ravens did occasionally overload one side of the offensive line, causing Brady to rush his throw a bit. But Pees got aggressive once the Patriots got in the red zone. And Brady capitalized.

Against a five-man blitz, Brady was 4 of 5 for 45 yards and a 19-yard touchdown to Martellus Bennett, and was sacked by Eric Weddle. I usually don't like the deep fade pass on third down, but Bennett had 6 inches on linebacker Zach Orr and came down with the jump ball.

The Ravens blitzed six just one time, and it resulted in a defensive holding penalty. And on consecutive plays in the second quarter, the Ravens blitzed seven when the Patriots got inside the 10-yard line. The first pass was batted down by Terrell Suggs. The next play was a TD to Malcolm Mitchell, who beat the single coverage.

■ The Patriots' run game against the Ravens' No. 1 run defense was impressive enough. But the reason to keep at it, even when six of LeGarrette Blount's runners are stuffed for 2 yards or fewer, is to keep the defense honest.

Brady shredded the Ravens with his play-action passes, completing 6 of 6 for 170 yards and a touchdown, as the Ra-

vens linebackers fell for it every time. Included in that was a 28-yard flea-flicker to Chris Hogan, two wide-open catches for Bennett down the seams for 45 yards, and Hogan's 79-yard touchdown, in which Weddle bit just enough for Hogan to blow past him.

■ In fact, the Patriots' other big play also resulted in the safety biting down and missing the deep assignment. James White was lined up against cornerback C.J. Mosley on the outside, with Lardarius Webb in single-high safety coverage. But Webb bit on the underneath route to Julian Edelman, leaving White with real estate to scamper for 61 yards.

■ Brady's interception came against a four-man rush. The Patriots didn't identify it correctly, as seven players stayed in to block, and Brady only had three receivers against seven defensive backs. Hogan slipped while making his cut, Edelman and Mitchell were covered, and Brady made an ill-advised throw instead of just taking the sack.

■ But credit Brady for taking advantage of the Ravens' shaky cornerbacks. They gave the Patriots plenty of space at the line of scrimmage, and Brady once again chewed them up underneath with quick hitches and quick outs. Brady's most underrated throw of the night was a 16-yarder to Edelman on the sideline that was dropped in the bucket.

■ Great day from the offensive line, keeping Brady clean and opening some decent holes for Blount. The Patriots rushed for 22 yards on consecutive runs in the second quarter, first

running an off-tackle play to the left with a pulling Shaq Mason, then flipping it to the right side on the next play with a pulling Joe Thuney. Mason and Thuney were excellent in the run game, and Nate Solder, James Develin, and Bennett had great seals, as well.

Solder did a great job 1-on-1 on Suggs all game, holding him to half a tackle and no QB hits. Thuney did struggle a bit in pass protection, allowing a pressure and a QB hit to Timmy Jernigan. Marcus Cannon was up and down against Elvis Dumervil, as well.

■ Interesting to see Hogan (57) and Mitchell (54) play more snaps than Edelman (47). But Edelman was still the security blanket, receiving a whopping 15 targets, or one every three snaps.

When the Ravens had the ball ...

■ The Patriots played it safe most of the day. Here is the breakdown:

3-man rush: 10 of 16, 97 yards, interception, 0 for 4 on third down.

Regular 4-man rush: 16 of 21, 116 yards, touchdown, sack.

Zone-4 blitz: 8 for 9, 31 yards, one first down.

Blitz-5: 3 for 5, 80 yards, touchdown.

Blitz-6: Ninkovich sack. Hanging back with a three-man rush produced a lot of completions, but for minimal gain. The Patriots did a great job of swarming to the football on dump-offs to running backs and underneath throws to receivers, and for the most part made some nice open-field

tackles (Chung stood out in this area).

■ The Patriots were more than happy to let Flacco sit in the pocket and take his chances. And Flacco complied. He made a baffling decision to throw deep to Mike Wallace with Devin McCourty and Chung both back in deep safety, and McCourty made a great play on the ball for an interception. The throw was reminiscent of Flacco at the end of the playoff game two years ago, when he needlessly chucked the ball into the end zone for an interception by Duron Harmon.

And Flacco was simply incapable of piecing together long drives. Of the Ravens' 14 true drives, only two went more than 50 yards and only one lasted 10 plays. Both occurred in the fourth quarter.

■ The blitz was more boom-or-bust. A Hightower blitz forced Flacco to throw it away, and Ninkovich's huge third-down sack came on a six blitz. The Patriots also blitzed on Kenneth Dixon's 8-yard TD (the Patriots had pre-snap confusion and either McCourty or Hightower blew the assignment). Breshad Perriman also made a 47-yard catch on a Malcolm Butler corner blitz, and Steve Smith made a 25-yard catch to convert a third down.

■ Van Noy had a nice tipped pass over the middle, in which he goaded Flacco into a quick slant, then dropped into coverage, and a run stuff with Hightower and Alan Branch. But Van Noy seemed a step slow on a few assignments, as well.

■ Malcom Brown had a real active game, notching a couple

of internal pressures in addition to the safety. Ravens right guard Vlad Ducasse missed his assignment, blocking Roberts and leaving Brown 1-on-1 with the fullback, which is a total mismatch.

■ Ryan gives up a lot of catches, and we counted at least three third-down conversions in which he was in coverage — a couple to Wallace and one to Kamar Aiken. But Ryan also deserves credit for being a sure tackler and very rarely allowing yards after the catch. He allows receptions, but at least makes receivers fight for them.

■ Cyrus Jones did OK in coverage, though he was burned by Perriman for the 47-yard gain. But Jonathan Jones looked instinctive in his 10 snaps, making a nice run stuff for minus-4 yards and blitzing a couple of times.

Special teams

■ Jonathan Jones made a great diving play to keep the football out of the end zone and pin the Ravens on the 1-yard line, leading to Brown's safety.

■ McClellin timed his jump perfectly when he blocked Justin Tucker's 35-yard field goal. He was halfway over the long-snapper before the Ravens had gotten out of their stances.

■ The absolute worst part of Cyrus Jones's fumble was not that he allowed the ball to glance off his foot, but his outright refusal to go after the fumble once the ball was live. He just stood there and watched the play.

■ Chung and Edelman should share punt return duties, with Lewis taking kickoffs. Let the veterans handle it.

Free throws are hard to come by

By Gary Washburn
GLOBE STAFF

SAN ANTONIO — The Celtics are 26th in the NBA in free throws attempted, and that's with **Isaiah Thomas** playing in 21 of the first 24 games.

CELTICS NOTEBOOK
In the first two games without Thomas, the Celtics piled up 51 free throws, but they reverted to usual form Sunday against Oklahoma City with just eight attempts, four by reserve forward **Kelly Olynyk**.

Celtics coach **Brad Stevens** said the answer is not to have players forcing themselves into situations to draw fouls, especially when it's not in their nature.

"Our highest free-throw rate player doesn't play [right now]," Stevens said of Thomas. "It's part of the reason why you don't get to the line much. We've talked about it before. A lot of guys on our team have not been high free-throw rate players during their careers. You like to get to the line more than we did but at the same time, we also have play to our strengths."

The Celtics' lack of free throws Sunday could be directly related to a lack of fouls. The Thunder were whistled for just nine fouls — a season low for a Celtics' opponent — compared with 22 for Boston.

"We just can't lower our heads and drive into bodies and expect calls," Stevens said. "We have to play to our strengths and do the best that we can. I thought the game was really well officiated. I didn't have any problems with the officiating."

Jae Crowder has attempted just 24 free throws through 16 games (1.5 per game average) compared with 3.3 per game last season.

Also, 24.4 percent of Crowder's shots this season have from within 16 feet, compared with 41.3 last season, meaning he is taking longer 2-point shots and 3-pointers, and therefore drawing fewer fouls. Does Crowder need to use his physicality and strength for more post-ups and potential free-throw opportunities?

"We'll post him when it's appropriate" Stevens said. "You gotta also realize who he's being

Spurs thumbnails

- **When, where:** Wednesday, 9:30 p.m., at AT&T Center, San Antonio.
- **TV, radio:** CSN, ESPN, WZLX (100.7).
- **Scoring:** Kawhi Leonard 24.7, LaMarcus Aldridge 16.5, Pau Gasol and Patty Mills 11.6.
- **Rebounding:** Gasol 7.3, Aldridge 6.7, Leonard 6.0.
- **Assists:** Tony Parker 4.6, Mills 3.6, Leonard 3.0.
- **Head to head:** This is the second of two meetings this season. The Spurs defeated the Celtics, 109-103, on November 25 at TD Garden.
- **Miscellany:** San Antonio is 14-2 in its last 16 games. Four of the Spurs five losses have come at home this season. . . . Leonard has led San Antonio in scoring in 18 of 24 games this season.

guarded by most of the time. He's playing against **Kawhi Leonard** [Wednesday] and against **[Michael] Kidd-Gilchrist** on Friday. He's playing against bigger, stronger men. He's a very capable post player but at the same time, you have to figure those guys are good athletes who are excellent defenders as well. I thought he did a good job in his two or three post-ups [Sunday] and it's something we'll look to take advantage of when the opportunity presents itself."

Crowder believes the team has been aggressive enough to get more calls and free throws.

"For a majority of the season, we haven't been getting to the free throw line and it's noticeable," he said. "I feel like guys are driving the ball but we haven't been getting the calls that we should, I feel like. You can't sway from it. You can't just continue to shoot jump shots, you have to go in, keep going in there and forcing the referee to make calls. When I do [have post chances], I plan on taking advantage of it. I've been trying to do so."

Praise for Leonard

With **Tim Duncan** retired, the San Antonio Spurs have become Leonard's team. The reigning Defensive Player of the Year entered play Tuesday seventh in the NBA in steals, 12th in scoring, and has a career high 27.1 player efficiency rating (the NBA average is 15).

Stevens had nothing but kudos for the 25-year-old Leonard, who scored 25 points with 10 rebounds in the teams' Nov. 25 meeting at TD Garden.

"Kawhi has got elite physical tools obviously with his length and athleticism, strength," Stevens said. "One thing everybody's always known about Kawhi, even from his days at San Diego State and before that is his competitive spirit. He's an elite competitor and as a result, he's always been a guy that's really improved."

Crowder said Leonard is a strong defender. "His length on the ball, his activity with his hands," Crowder said. "He's just very smart. He knows when to press up on you. He knows when to back up. He's a great defender. I just feel like we play the game the right way. We let the game come to us. We don't really force it. He plays within himself. He knows what he does well and tries to do it each night. That's the most similarity we have with one another."

Thomas not on trip

Stevens said Thomas would not make the trip to San Antonio for Wednesday's game but said Thomas could return for Friday's home game with the Charlotte Hornets. Thomas tweaked his hamstring during the Dec. 5 loss to the Houston Rockets and Wednesday will be the fourth game he will miss.

"Isaiah is feeling a lot better," Stevens said. "Any pain is gone but he's still feeling a little stiff. But he's progressed well."

Thomas expressed desire to make the two-game, five-day trip to Oklahoma City and San Antonio but said the team was being cautious with his injury, especially with such a difficult stretch to end the month. The Celtics have Charlotte, Memphis (twice), Indiana, Oklahoma City, Cleveland and the New York Knicks in the next few weeks.

"Friday would be the hope," Stevens said. "That's not set in stone."

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Rozier, leukemia patient connected

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town team, the Louisville Cardinals.

In 2014 the Boston-based non-profit, Team IMPACT, connected McSweeney with Scotty Davenport, the longtime head coach at Division 2 Bellarmine University in Louisville. That summer Patrick became an honorary member of the Knights, but Davenport dreamed of something bigger.

He contacted Louisville coach Rick Pitino and hatched a plan to have McSweeney play for the Knights in their exhibition against the Cardinals. And that brings us back to Rozier, and the day neither will soon forget.

Rozier was just starting his sophomore year with Louisville. The point guard was six months from being drafted in the first round by the Celtics. In the exhibition game he came out for the opening tipoff and shook McSweeney's hand and patted the back of his head.

The teams had arranged for the 5-foot-3-inch McSweeney to get the ball and take Bellarmine's first shot. But his arms felt like spaghetti, and his 3-pointer was an air-ball.

At the other end, Louisville passed the ball around until Rozier had it near the left arc, with McSweeney guarding him. Rozier understood the moment. He let McSweeney take the ball from him, and the crowd roared.

"I remember bobbling it for a second before I caught it, because I didn't really understand what he was doing for me," McSweeney said. "That was probably the biggest moment."

After missing a layup, McSweeney got the ball back and converted his second try.

"Him scoring that first basket put a big smile on my face," Rozier said last week. "It put a big smile on everyone's face just to make a kid's day like that. That's something he can talk about for a lifetime."

One day later, McSweeney was heading back to Philadelphia to resume medical treatments.



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Patrick McSweeney (left) met Louisville's Terry Rozier in a 2014 exhibition. McSweeney stole the ball from Rozier in that game.

McSweeney, who is now a senior at St. Xavier High in Louisville, has been returning to Philadelphia Children's Hospital every three months for brief follow-ups since starting treatments there in 2014. But earlier this fall he relapsed for the fifth time, so he is now back in Philadelphia for a six-week stay that includes a new infusion of T cells.

"He's got a positive attitude like

you wouldn't believe," his father Mike said. "If he didn't, I don't think he'd be here."

McSweeney can feel isolated in Philadelphia, particularly during the holidays. So Davenport, Bellarmine's coach, recently scanned the NBA schedule and found the Celtics game. He had reached out to the team about McSweeney's story and love for the Celtics in 2014, and the team provided tickets

when Boston came to Philadelphia. This time was no different.

When Davenport sent Rozier a text message, letting him know that McSweeney would be at the game, Rozier arranged for him and his father to receive postgame passes.

"Ever since the Bellarmine game, ever since he handed me the ball, I've admired him," McSweeney said of Rozier. "I stayed after the Celtics game because I figured if he was leaving us passes he remembered who I was and would maybe like to see me. Of course I wanted to see him."

After the Celtics' completed their 107-106 win, Rozier went to the court and saw McSweeney with his father, holding the Bellarmine jersey he'd worn on that memorable day two years ago. Rozier signed the jersey. The two reminisced about the game and talked about McSweeney's health.

"It was just really good to talk to him and see how he was doing," Rozier said. "And it doesn't go unnoticed by me that he came out here to support me, too, with all he has going on. Everything's not a perfect world. So it puts it in perspective, just to see how strong of a kid he is. It's big just to see him fight."

McSweeney is scheduled to return home from this round of treatments on Dec. 20. Soon after, he said, he will begin playing in an intramural basketball league with his friends. He understands this fight will probably continue, but he is ready, and he wants to be an inspiration.

"It's really neat to see a kid that's so impacted by these basketball teams and the Terry Roziers of the world," Mike McSweeney said. "But it's also neat to see the impact Patrick has on them, and how it's about bringing everything down to a common level, about caring for each other."

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EASTERN CONFERENCE									
ATLANTIC	W	L	Pct.	GB	Streak	Home	Conf.		
Toronto	17	7	.708	—	W 3	10-4	10-3		
New York	14	10	.583	3	W 2	9-4	6-7		
BOSTON	13	11	.542	4	L 2	5-5	10-5		
Brooklyn	6	17	.261	10½	L 2	5-7	2-10		
Philadelphia	6	18	.250	11	W 2	4-11	4-11		
CENTRAL	W	L	Pct.	GB	Streak	Home	Conf.		
Cleveland	18	5	.783	—	W 5	12-2	14-4		
Chicago	13	11	.542	5½	L 1	7-4	9-5		
Indiana	13	12	.520	6	W 2	10-4	6-7		
Detroit	13	13	.500	6½	L 1	8-4	8-8		
Milwaukee	11	12	.478	7	L 3	8-6	7-8		
SOUTHEAST	W	L	Pct.	GB	Streak	Home	Conf.		
Charlotte	14	11	.560	—	L 2	8-6	9-7		
Atlanta	12	13	.480	2	L 1	7-5	10-6		
Orlando	11	15	.423	3½	W 1	4-8	6-10		
Washington	9	14	.391	4	L 1	7-6	6-9		
Miami	8	17	.320	6	W 1	3-8	4-11		

WESTERN CONFERENCE									
PACIFIC	W	L	Pct.	GB	Streak	Home	Conf.		
Golden State	22	4	.846	—	W 2	9-2	16-4		
LA Clippers	18	7	.720	3½	W 2	9-4	13-3		
Sacramento	9	15	.375	12	W 1	5-6	6-7		
LA Lakers	10	17	.370	12½	L 7	6-7	6-13		
Phoenix	7	17	.292	14	L 1	3-7	3-13		
SOUTHWEST	W	L	Pct.	GB	Streak	Home	Conf.		
San Antonio	19	5	.792	—	W 1	6-4	10-3		
Houston	18	7	.720	1½	W 7	8-2	12-4		
Memphis	17	9	.654	3	L 1	10-4	11-3		
New Orleans	8	18	.308	12	L 1	5-9	4-15		
Dallas	6	18	.250	13	W 1	5-7	3-11		
NORTHWEST	W	L	Pct.	GB	Streak	Home	Conf.		
*Oklahoma City	15	9	.625	—	W 1	10-5	7-5		
Utah	15	10	.600	½	W 1	8-5	10-7		
*Portland	12	14	.462	4	L 4	7-4	8-9		
Denver	9	16	.360	6½	L 1	3-7	5-9		
Minnesota	7	18	.280	8½	W 1	3-9	3-11		

* — Not including late game

TUESDAY'S RESULTS									
At Cleveland 103	Memphis 86	Minnesota 99	At Chicago 94						
Orlando 131	At Atlanta 120	At Phoenix 113	NY 111 (OT)						
Golden St. 113	At N. Orleans 109	Okla. City	At Portland						

WEDNESDAY GAMES									
BOSTON at San Antonio	9:30	LA Lakers at Brooklyn	7:30						
Indiana at Miami	7	Cleveland at Memphis	8						
Charlotte at Washington	7	Sacramento at Houston	8						
Orlando at Philadelphia	7	Detroit at Dallas	8:30						
LA Clippers at Orlando	7	Okla. City at Utah	9						

MONDAY'S RESULTS									
At Indiana 110	Charlotte 94	At Dallas 112	Denver 92						
At Miami 112	Washington 101	At LA Clippers 121	Portland 120						
At Toronto 122	Milwaukee 100	At Sacramento 116	LA Lakers 92						
At Houston 122	Brooklyn 118								

CAVALIERS 103, GRIZZLIES 86										
MEMPHIS	FG	FT	Reb							
Willms...	36	6-16	0-0	2-6	1	5	13			
Rndiph...	31	9-15	0-0	1-5	2	1	18			
Green...	29	11-20	0-0	1-8	2	2	7			
Allen...	25	4-9	0-1	0-1	1	3	8			
Harrison...	31	4-11	4-5	0-3	4	2	13			
Carter...	18	1-4	0-0	0-2	4	0	3			
Douglas...	15	2-7	0-0	0-2	3	3	4			
Martin...	19	3-4	2-2	1-0	1	5	8			
Davis...	11	3-3	0-1	1-4	0	1	6			
Daniels...	20	1-6	2-2	0-2	1	5	5			
Baldwin...	4	1-1	4-4	0-0	0	0	6			
Totals	...	35-86	12-15	11-43	19	23	86			

GOLDEN STATE											
Green...	36	4-12	2-2	1-10	2	12	12				
Durant...	37	10-19	0-0	6-7	0	3	2	27			
McGee...	16	4-5	1-2	1-5	0	0	9				
KThompson...	37	6-16	1-4	3-4	1	3	17				
Curry...	34	11-23	3-4	2-4	7	2	30				
West...	12	1-4	0-0	0-3	3	0	2				
Igudala...	31	2-5	0-0	2-9	3	2	6				
Clark...	13	2-6	0-0	0-2	0	1	6				
McCaw...	2	0-0	0-0	1-1	0	0	0				
Lvngstb...	17	2-5	0-0	0-2	1	1	4				
Looney...	0	0-0	0-0	1-1	0	0	0				
Totals	...	42-95	15-19	9-45	30	12	113				

NEW ORLEANS										
Hill...	30	5-10	0-0	1-6	1	4	12			
Davis...	36	10-14	7-8	0-8	3	2	28			
Ajijca...	13	6-14	0-1	0-4	1	1	0			
Hield...	18	3-7	0-0	0-3	1	1	7			
Holiday...	30	3-12	3-6	2-8	6	3	10			
Moore...	25	2-6	2-2	1-2	5	2	6			
Jones...	21	4-4	0-0	1-10	0	0	0			
Frazier...	30	5-9	0-0	0-2	8	13	3			
Galway...	28	6-14	3-3	1-5	0	2	20			
Williams...	9	1-3	2-2	0-0	1	1	5			
Totals	...	39-82	17-21	6-45	26	18	109			

ORLANDO										
Gordon...	18	3-6	0-0	0-3	2	4	7			
Hield...	32	11-16	3-4	1-2	1	1	12			
Bjornb...	3	3-4	1-2	1-9	2	2	9			
Augustin...	15	1-4	0-0	0-3	1	1	3			
Fournier...	33	11-15	0-1	0-0	6	2	23			
Payton...	35	9-12	5-7	1-14	2	26	6			
Holiday...	1-5	Moore 0-1, Jones 0-1, Frazier 3-4, Galloway 5-12, Williams 1-2.								
Totals	...	51-87	14-20	5-28	36	17	131			

MAGIC 131, HAWKS 120									
Golden State...	29	29	37	18	—	113			

NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC	GP	W	L	OL	Pts.	ROW	GF	GA
Montreal	29	19	6	4	42	18	92	64
Ottawa	29	16	11	2	34	13	70	78
BOSTON	30	16	12	2	34	14	71	71
Tampa Bay	29	14	13	2	30	12	81	81
Florida	30	13	13	4	30	11	71	82
Detroit	30	13	13	4	30	9	71	81
Toronto	28	11	11	6	28	11	81	87
Buffalo	28	11	11	6	28	10	62	75

METROPOLITAN

Pittsburgh	GP	W	L	OL	Pts.	ROW	GF	GA
Pittsburgh	29	19	7	3	41	17	104	84
NY Rangers	31	20	10	1	41	20	106	72
Columbus	27	18	5	4	40	17	90	57
Washington	28	18	7	3	39	18	76	61
Philadelphia	31	18	10	3	39	15	101	94
New Jersey	28	12	10	6	30	10	69	82
Carolina	29	12	11	6	30	11	77	82
NY Islanders	28	11	12	5	27	10	73	85

WESTERN CONFERENCE

CENTRAL	GP	W	L	OL	Pts.	ROW	GF	GA
Chicago	31	19	8	4	42	17	83	71
Minnesota	28	16	8	4	36	15	80	57
St. Louis	30	16	10	4	36	15	82	85
Nashville	28	13	11	4	30	13	84	81
Dallas	31	12	13	6	30	12	81	98
Winnipeg	32	13	16	3	29	12	82	96
Colorado	27	11	15	1	23	11	60	86

PACIFIC

San Jose	GP	W	L	OL	Pts.	ROW	GF	GA
San Jose	29	17	11	1	35	16	71	63
Anaheim	30	15	10	5	35	14	83	81
Edmonton	32	15	12	5	35	14	94	88
Calgary	31	16	13	2	34	14	81	86
Los Angeles	28	14	12	2	30	13	74	76
Vancouver	30	12	16	2	26	9	73	94
Arizona	29	10	14	5	25	8	66	91

ROW — Regulation plus overtime wins

TUESDAY'S RESULTS

At Buffalo 6	Los Angeles 3	San Jose 3	at Toronto 2 (SO)
Washington 4	at NY Islanders 2	At Nashville 6	St. Louis 3
Chicago 2	at NY Rangers 1	At Minnesota 5	Florida 1
At Carolina 8	Vancouver 6	At Dallas 6	Anaheim 2
Arizona 4	at Detroit 1	Columbus 3	at Edmonton 1

WEDNESDAY'S GAMES

BOSTON at Pittsburgh	7:30	Tampa Bay at Calgary	9:30
San Jose at Ottawa	7	Philadelphia at Colorado	10

MONDAY'S RESULTS

BOSTON 2	at Montreal 1 (OT)	At Pittsburgh 7	Arizona 0
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BLUE JACKETS 3, OILERS 1

Columbus	0	1	2	—	3
Edmonton	1	0	0	—	—

First period — 1. Edmonton, Pitlick 7 (Bestu, Kassian), 10:06. Penalties — Maroon, Edm (high-sticking), 0:10.

Gagner, Cls (tripping), 7:38. Johnson, Cls, double minor (high-sticking), 19:49.

Second period — 2. Columbus, Gagner 12 (Wennergren, Werenski), 7:59 (pp). Penalties — Draisaïti, Edm (tripping), 7:23. Davidson, Edm (holding), 9:31.

Third period — 3. Columbus, Atkinson 11 (Gagner, Wennberg), 7:10 (pp). 4. Columbus, Calvert 3 (Anderson), 8:46. Penalties — Pitlick, Edm (hooking), 5:46. Murray, Cls (hooking), 14:42. Nugent-Harbin, Edm (tripping), 18:58.

Shots on goal — Columbus 5-12-14 — 31. Edmonton 11-15-8 — 34.

Power plays — Columbus 2-5; Edmonton 0-4.

Goalies — Columbus: Bobrovsky 17-5 (34 shots-33 saves). Edmonton, Talbot 14-10-4 (31 shots-28 saves).

Referees — TJ Lumore, Ian Walsh. Linesmen — Kiel Murchison, Steve Miller.

SABRES 6, KINGS 3

Los Angeles	1	1	1	—	3
Buffalo	0	4	2	—	6

First — 1. LA, Kogitar 3 (Lewis, Muzzin), 30. Penalties — Muzzin, LA (high-sticking), 5:27. RO'Reilly, Buf (interference), 5:27. LA, LA (high-sticking), 17:11.

Second — 2. LA, Carter 13 (Treffo, Forbort), 7:34. 3. Buf, RO'Reilly 7 (Ristolainen), 9:31. 4. Buf, Eichel 4 (Okposo, Moulson), 13:36. 5. Buf, Gionta 7 (Falk, Larsson), 13:48. 6. Buffalo, Eichel 5 (Okposo, Moulson), 15:44. Penalties — Andreoff, LA (roughing), 5:58. Kane, Buf (roughing), 5:58. Pearson, LA, major (fighting), 18:30. Falk, Buf, major (fighting), 18:30.

Third — 7. LA, Carter 14, 4:03. 8. Buf, Kane 4 (Eichel, Okposo), 15:42. 9. Buf, Reinhart 6 (Ristolainen), 19:34 (en). Penalties — None.

Shots on goal — LA 13-6-14 — 33. Buf 10-9-7 — 26.

Power plays — LA 0-0; Buf 0-1.

Goalies — LA, Budak 13-7-2 (22 shots-18 saves). LA, Zatkoff 1-5-0 (3 shots-3 saves). Buf, Lehner 6-9-4 (33 shots-30 saves).

CAPITALS 4, ISLANDERS 2

Washington	0	2	2	—	4
NY Islanders	1	1	0	—	2

First — 1. NY, Nelson 7 (Clutterback, Seidenberg), 9:32. Penalties — Clutterback, NY (slashing), 12:17. Backstrom, Was (tripping), 15:49.

Second period — 2. Was, Connolly 3 (Eller, Vrana), 5:09. 3. Was, Jusiwiliams 6 (Vrana, Kuznetsov), 7:37 (pp). 4. NY, Kulemin 3 (Leddy, Cizikas), 10:41. Penalties — Chimera, NY (high-sticking), 6:08.

Third — 5. Was, Niskanen 1 (Orlov, Johansson), 1:34. 6. Was, Niskanen 2 (Kuznetsov, JoCarson), 18:02 (pp). Penalties — Harmon, NY (tripping), 16:47. Wilson, Was (tripping), 18:10.

Shots on goal — Was 14-10-14 — 38. NY 12-4-12 — 28.

Power plays — Was 2-3; NY 0-2.

Goalies — Was, Holby 14-6-2 (28 shots-26 saves). NY, Halak 5-8-5 (38 shots-34 saves).

Referees — Watson, Hebert. Linesmen — Mach, Grandt.

PREDATORS 6, BLUES 3

St. Louis	2	1	0	—	3
Nashville	0	2	4	—	6

First period — 1. St. Louis, Shattenkirk 7 (Tarasenko), 10:12. 2. St. Louis, Reaves 2 (Brodziaik, Edmundson), 16:41. Penalties — Schwartz, STL (hooking), 1:08. Berglund, STL (tripping), 7:28.

Second period — 3. St. Louis, Hunt 1 (Tarasenko, Shattenkirk), 1:49 (pp). 5. Nashville, Neal 12 (Johansen), 4:07. 6. Nashville, Forsberg 3 (Arvidsson, Ekholm), 6:22. Penalties — Neal, Nsh (slashing), 0:52. Subban, Nsh (unsportsmanlike conduct), 19:24. Perron, STL (unsportsmanlike conduct), 19:24.

Third period — 6. Nashville, Johansen 6 (Wilson), 3:04. 7. Nashville, Fisher 6 (Wilson, Arvidsson), 9:02. 8. Nashville, Ribeiro 4 (C-Smith, Fiala), 10:31. 9. Nashville, Fisher 7 (Watson), 18:38 (en). Penalties — None.

Shots on goal — St. Louis 10-8-8 — 26. Nashville 9-15-12 — 36.

Power plays — St. Louis 1-1; Nashville 0-2.

Goalies — St. Louis, Allen 14-6-3 (33 shots-28 saves). St. Louis, Hutton 2-4-1 (2 shots-2 saves). Nashville, Rinne 12-7-4 (26 shots-23 saves).

SHARKS 3, MAPLE LEAFS 2

San Jose	0	0	2	—	3
Toronto	1	1	0	—	2

Sharks win shootout, 1-0

First — 1. Tor, Hyman 5 (Matthews, Nylander), 6:58. Penalties — Martin, Tor (boarding), 2:21. Polak, Tor (slashing), 11:12. 2. SJ, served by Labanc (too many men), 15:23. Karlsson, SJ (misbehavior), 15:30. Gardiner, Tor (holding), 15:30.

Second — 2. Tor, Matthews 13 (Nylander, Gardiner), 7:46 (pp). Penalties — Kadri, Tor (goaltender interference), 3:31. Wingels, SJ (holding), 6:17. Nieto, SJ (goaltender interference), 6:40. BSmith, Tor (holding), 10:37.

Third — 3. SJ, Braun 1 (Tierney, Karlsson), 12:43. 4. SJ, Pavelski 9 (Burns, Maricau), 14:50 (pp). Penalties — Carrick, Tor, served by Marner (boarding), 3:02. Huntwick, Tor (interference), 14:46.

OT — None. Penalties — None.

Shootout — SJ 1 (Pavelski) NG, Couture G). Tor 0 (Marner NG, Matthews NG, Shoshnikov NG).

Shots on goal — SJ 14-12-13-3 — 42. Tor 13-9-2 — 31.

Power plays — SJ 1-6; Tor 1-3.

Goalies — SJ, Jones 14-10-1 (31 shots-29 saves). Tor, Andersen 11-7-5 (42 shots-40 saves).



Austin Czarnik (27) gets a well-deserved pat on the head from Brad Marchand after giving the Bruins a 1-0 lead Monday in Montreal.

Bruins chase offensive consistency

FLUTO SHINZAWA ON HOCKEY

PITTSBURGH — The Bruins landed 29 pucks on the Montreal net, had eight other attempts blocked, and missed on 10 other opportunities. Two of the on-goal shots slipped through Carey Price, which, these days, is a noteworthy event. Patrice Bergeron (4-4—8), who has fewer points than Tim Schaller (4-5—9), led all players with five shots on net.

For all that, the Bruins' commitment to shaking up their offense remains a work in progress.

“Offensively, it’s not like we haven’t created chances,” coach Claude Julien said of the NHL’s 25th-ranked offense. “It’s more about how can we finish better? Some of it is prime scoring chances where we’re missing the net. We’ve got to be better there. Some of it is finding ways to find those loose pucks and bang away around the crease area. You look at the goals scored last night. It’s all from the slot to the crease area. There’s hardly any long shots that go in anymore. So if you’re not willing to get on the inside, it’s a tough league to score in.”

Monday’s 2-1 overtime win over the Canadiens was the first game in which the Bruins shook up their four-line template. Every unit was changed, from the league’s best line (Bergeron between Brad Marchand and David Pastrnak) to the team’s most invisible three-some (Ryan Spooner, Austin Czarnik, and Riley Nash).

Against the Canadiens, it was flickering third-liners Spooner and Czarnik, with one-goal man Jimmy Hayes riding shotgun, who lit the red light. Czarnik, moved back to his natural center position, made the most of a three-on-one rush. Spooner, perhaps the team’s most disappointing player given his top-two potential and inconsistent production, gave the Bruins the two-point result with a major-league snipe past Price.

The third line gave the Bruins some of the balance they have pursued for most of the year. The Bruins are now 6-4-0 in games in which neither Pastrnak nor Marchand, their top two goal scorers, hit the back of the net.

“We’re looking to spread our goal scoring around a little bit more,” Julien said. “We don’t always want to rely on one line or two lines or two-three players. We want to rely on everybody to get in there and score the odd goal for us and help us out. [Monday] night was a good example for us. Czarny, who hadn’t scored in a while, scored a big goal for us and gave us the lead. We managed to win in overtime with a great goal

Penguins thumbnails

- **When, where:** Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., at PPG Paints Arena.
- **TV, radio:** NBCSN, WBZ-FM (98.5)
- **Goals:** Sidney Crosby 21, Evgeni Malkin 12, Phil Kessel 10.
- **Assists:** Kessel 21, Malkin 20, Kris Letang 17.
- **Goaltending:** Marc-Andre Fleury (8-5-0, 3.42 GAA), Matt Murray (11-2-0, 1.84 GAA)
- **Head to head:** This is the first of three meetings this season.
- **Miscellany:** Pittsburgh carries a six-game winning streak into Wednesday night’s contest. . . The Penguins are averaging 5.8 goals per game in the month of December, and lead the NHL with 3.52 throughout the course of the season. Crosby’s 21 goals are the most in the NHL.

from Spoons. It’s nice to be able to rely on others and not the obvious guys. That’s going to allow us to win more games.”

Balance is one thing. Depth and breadth of consistent scoring chances is another.

It may have been because it was just the first game together for all four lines. It may have been because it was against Montreal, the top team in the league with 42 points. For whatever reason, the Bruins did not control the puck as efficiently in the Montreal end as Julien would have liked.

“In my evaluation of the game, I thought we could have done a better job in the offensive zone of managing the puck,” Julien said. “I thought we could have held onto it a little bit longer. That’s one of the rare games where we

Krug will not face NHL discipline

By Fluto Shinzawa

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PITTSBURGH — Torey Krug will not be subject to supplemental discipline for his hit on Montreal’s Andrew Shaw Monday night. In the first period, while the two were chasing a puck in the neutral zone, Krug walloped Shaw with a clock-cleaning thump.

No penalty was called on the play. Later in the game, Krug answered Brendan Gallagher’s challenge.

“No review there,” said Claude Julien. “So we’re all good moving forward here.”

The Bruins would have been in a tough spot had Krug been suspended. He is their leading point man on defense (1-12—13) at a time when scoring has been hard to come by for the team. Even with changes to all four lines against the Canadiens, the Bruins managed only two goals,

Hurricanes rally past Canucks in third period

Justin Faulk scored the go-ahead goal 5:56 into the third period, and the Carolina Hurricanes rallied from three goals down to beat the Vancouver Canucks, 8-6, Tuesday night in Raleigh, N.C..

Jeff Skinner scored two goals, with his second starting Carolina’s wild comeback. The Hurricanes scored six goals in the third — including four in a 4:40 span — to erase a 5-2 deficit.

Ron Hainsey and Victor Rask scored 24 seconds apart before Faulk put Carolina ahead.

Jordan Staal added an insurance goal with 7:22 left, and Brandon Sutter made it 7-6 with 5:50 to play before Lee Stempniak scored an empty-netter with 57.6 seconds remaining.

Sven Baertschi had two goals and an assist for the Canucks. Baertschi, Alexandre Burrows, Markus Granlund, and Ben Hutton all scored during Vancouver’s four-goal second period.

Sabres 6, Kings 3 — Jack Eichel scored two goals in a 2:08 span of the second period and assisted on another goal to lead Buffalo past visiting Los Angeles.

Ryan O’Reilly and Brian Gionta also scored for Buffalo during a four-goal flurry in a 6:13 span of the second period.

Jeff Carter scored twice for the Kings and An-

ze Kopitar had the other goal.

Blue Jackets 3, Oilers 1 — Sam Gagner had a goal and an assist as visiting Columbus won its seventh straight game.

Cam Atkinson and Matt Calvert also scored to help the Blue Jackets improve to 8-0-1 in their last nine games.

Tyler Pitlick had the goal for the Oilers, who have lost five of six.

Blackhawks 2, Rangers 1 — Artem Anisimov scored the tiebreaking goal late in the second period to lead Chicago to victory in New York. Trevor van Riemsdyk also scored and Scott Darling stopped 33 shots to improve to 7-2-2.

Capitals 4, Islanders 2 — Matt Niskanen scored two goals in the third period, lifting visiting Washington to its fifth straight win.

Brett Connolly and Justin Williams also scored for Washington.

Coyotes 4, Red Wings 1 — Jamie McGinn scored twice as Arizona beat host Detroit. Lawson Crouse and defenseman Anthony DeAngelo also scored, and Mike Smith made 37 saves. Andreas Athanasiou scored for Detroit, and Jimmy Howard stopped 15 shots.

Wild 5, Panthers 1 — Devan Dubnyk made 29 saves and five players scored a goal each as Minnesota won its fifth straight, beating Florida in St. Paul. Zach Parise, Erik Haula, Eric Staal,

haven’t done that as well as others. It could be a reflection of new guys being with new guys and not being able to find each other as well as in the past.”

The adjustments Julien made to his lineup were not minor. Marchand and Bergeron were used to Pastrnak’s breakout speed, one-on-one creativity with the puck, and blistering one-timer from the left circle.

David Backes, their new right wing, is stronger than Pastrnak. The ex-Blue rumbles over bodies in the danger areas like a bowling ball scattering pins. Backes is especially effective in front of the net when pucks approach his stick for tips. But Backes does not operate at Pastrnak’s millennial speed, which required his linemates to adjust. If anything, the offensive-zone time Marchand and Bergeron are used to seeing was not as extended as usual against Montreal.

“I think we did a good job of getting out of our zone in short order,” Backes said. “Montreal did a good job of stifling the neutral zone and creating pucks that were able to get to Carey Price. He was able to move them on the breakout pretty clean out of their zone. With a little more time together, putting pucks in better spots and being able to sustain O-zone time, then all of a sudden your offensive instincts start to kick in. Maybe the three-four pretty good chances we were able to create weren’t able to find the back of the net. But we want to be a great positive factor moving forward as a group.”

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SCHOOL ROUNDUP

Dottin is unstoppable

Cambridge tops C-C in late surge

By Karl Capen
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

Cambridge senior guard Jakigh Dottin refused to have a bittersweet night as he exploded for 18 points in the fourth quarter to hold off last year's Division 2 runners-up, Concord-Carlisle, 71-63, Tuesday night at the War Memorial Gymnasium in Cambridge.

It was Cambridge's first game since celebrating its first basketball state championship in 15 years in March.

"I know and my team knows that nobody in this state is going to back down from us. So next game we just got to come out harder and come out stronger than we did [tonight]," said Dottin, who scored 28 points.

Concord-Carlisle (1-0) hung around most of the game on the back of senior Spencer Patenaude, who finished with 28 points, 7 of which came from 3-point range.

Patenaude was able to cut the Falcons lead to 40-39 late in the third quarter with a deep three from the right side. This was immediately answered by a Dottin layup and then a Dottin steal for a layup to keep the Patriots at bay.

Early in the fourth quarter, Concord-Carlisle senior David Poor converted on a layup (and a foul shot) that trimmed the Cambridge lead to 1. But once again, Dottin counter-punched.

The 6-foot-2-inch guard's size and quickness allowed him to consistently attack the rim and be a playmaker. Dottin sank two free throws and on the ensuing possession found senior Malik Correia in the corner for a wide-open three and the lead was back up to 6 midway through the fourth.

The Patriots never lost fight.

Patenaude hit threes on back-to-back possessions to try to will his team to an early-season victory.

Yet Dottin couldn't be stopped. Layup after layup



BARRY CHIN/GLOBE STAFF

Cambridge's Jakigh Dottin (5) splits the Concord-Carlisle defense as he drives to the basket in the first half.

and free throw after free throw the guard executed to perfection in the fourth.

With just over a minute to play, Dottin put away the game for Cambridge with his drive and dish off to junior Jonathan Cenescar for the layup that expanded Cambridge's lead to 70-61.

"We like to see [Jakigh] be aggressive, but again, I think he could have played a whole lot better. That's my honest opinion," Cambridge coach Lance Dottin said of his nephew.

Jakigh struggled in the first half, tallying 6 total points and making some careless turnovers inside the paint.

Dimon Carrigan, a 6-8 senior center, also filled up the stat sheet for Cambridge, collecting 14 points, 9 rebounds, and 6 blocks.

Latin Academy 73, West Roxbury 48 — Sophomore forward Ikenna Azums led the way for the Dragons, scoring 18 points in their season-opening victory. Senior guard Victor Monegro added 17 points.

St. John's Prep 58, Marblehead 51 — Nate Hobbs put up 21 points for the Eagles (1-0).

Attleboro 64, Canton 55 — Jake Dunkley (20 points) and Berlyns Abraham (15 points, 10 rebounds) lifted the Bombers (2-0).

North Quincy 47, Duxbury 45 — Jean Louis Jr. led the Red Rangers (2-0) with 19 points and 10 rebounds.

Girls' basketball

Sandwich 48, Martha's Vineyard 40 — Caroline Wilson led the Blue Knights (2-0).

Hingham 53, Scituate 43 — Shannon Joyce and Abby Landry each scored 15 points for the Harbormen (1-1). Ryley Blasetti added 10 points.

Westport 56, Wareham 46 — Eighth-grader Laura Mendell scored 20 points to lead the Wildcats (1-0).

Wayland 54, Lincoln-Sudbury 53 — Darby Leid notched 23 points and Naomi Lathan scored 14 for the Warriors as Lincoln-Sudbury's last-minute comeback bid came up short.

Whitman-Hanson 54, Bridgewater-Raynham 50 — Chloe Roberts's lay-in with 15.2 seconds remaining snapped a 50-50 tie and lifted the Panthers.

East Boston 37, Boston English 23 — Corianna Dinublia notched 13 points for the Jets (1-0).

Lynn Classical 41, Everett 36 — Paris Wilkey scored 23 points for the Rams.

Boys' hockey

Weston 5, Holliston 5 — Weston center Thomas Burke knotted the score with 90 seconds remaining in regulation. Freshman winger Cooper Griffin tallied two goals and an assist for Weston.

Dover-Sherborn 6, Norton 0 — Senior Joe Paolotto notched two goals for the Raiders (1-1).

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Colleges

BASKETBALL

The top 25 teams in The Associated Press' college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Dec. 11, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote and last week's ranking:

Rank	Team	Rec.	Pts.	LW
1.	Villanova (56)	10-0	1613	1
2.	UCLA (3)	10-0	1505	2
3.	Kansas	9-1	1455	3
4.	Baylor (6)	8-0	1439	4
5.	Duke	8-1	1391	5
6.	Kentucky	9-1	1277	6
7.	North Carolina	10-1	1222	7
8.	Gonzaga	10-0	1195	8
9.	Indiana	8-1	1124	9
10.	Creighton	10-0	1043	10
11.	Louisville	9-1	981	11
12.	West Virginia	8-1	864	15
13.	Virginia	8-1	848	14
14.	Wisconsin	9-2	779	17
15.	Purdue	8-2	652	18
16.	South Carolina	8-0	598	19
17.	Xavier	8-2	526	13
18.	Butler	9-1	492	16
19.	Arizona	8-2	436	20
20.	St. Mary's (Cal)	7-1	391	12
21.	Notre Dame	9-1	310	23
22.	Oregon	8-2	251	24
23.	Texas St.	10-1	227	25
24.	Southern Cal	9-0	158	-
25.	Cincinnati	7-2	155	22

Others receiving votes: Florida 44, Wichita St. 33, Virginia Tech 32, Maryland 31, Valparaiso 9, TCU 8, Middle Tennessee 7, Minnesota 6, Miami 6, Kansas 4, UCF 2, Michigan 2, Syracuse 2, Ohio St. 2, Pittsburgh 2, Clemson 1, Loyola of Chicago 1, Iowa St. 1.

HOW AP TOP 25 FARED
1. Villanova beats Temple, 78-57
22. Oregon played Montana
25. Cincinnati beat TX Southern, 96-58

NEW ENGLAND
Hartford 70.....Dartmouth 66
UMass 65.....North Carolina A&T 59
Yale 90.....Central Conn. 59

SOUTH
Clemson 93.....South Carolina St. 65
Denver 64.....South Alabama 51
Louisiana Tech 65Prairie View A&M 52
Tennessee 74.....Tennessee Tech 68
VMI 88.....Charleston So. 83

MIDWEST
Michigan 97.....Cent. Arkansas 53
Wright State 85.....Urbana 34

SOUTHWEST
New Mexico St. 79.....UTEP 68
Sam Houston St. 78.....Sul Ross State 57

WOMEN

The top 25 teams in The Associated Press' women's college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Dec. 11, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote and last week's ranking:

Rank	Team	Rec.	Pts.	LW
1.	UConn (33)	9-0	825	1
2.	Notre Dame	9-1	764	2
3.	Baylor	10-1	761	3
4.	Maryland	10-0	742	4
5.	Mississippi St.	9-0	676	5
6.	South Carolina	7-1	657	6
7.	Florida St.	10-1	625	7
8.	Louisville	8-2	574	8
9.	UCLA	7-1	565	9
10.	Stanford	7-1	520	10
11.	Washington	10-1	490	11
12.	Ohio St.	8-3	424	12
13.	Miami	8-1	415	14
14.	West Virginia	10-0	406	13
15.	Colorado	9-0	286	18
16.	Texas	3-4	268	17
17.	DePaul	6-3	225	16
18.	Duke	10-1	217	22
19.	Kentucky	7-3	189	15
20.	Oklahoma	7-2	187	19
21.	Syracuse	8-3	162	20
22.	South Florida	7-0	153	22
23.	Arizona St.	6-2	131	21
24.	Virginia Tech	10-0	112	25
25.	Oregon	7-1	75	-

Others receiving votes: Oregon St. 68, Green Bay 49, Kansas St. 44, California 29, Florida 23, Oklahoma St. 15, Northwestern 10, Texas A&M 8, Southern Cal 8, Auburn 7, Gonzaga 4, Vanderbilt 1, UNLV 1, Michigan St. 1.

HOW AP TOP 25 FARED
5. Miss. St. beat Little Rock, 58-44
23. AZ State beat Midl. Tenn., 69-48

NEW ENGLAND
Framingham St. 71.....MIT 57

OTHER EAST
Rutgers 53.....Seton Hall 45
St. John's 59.....Fordham 45

SOUTH
Campbell 61.....St. Augustine 33
Jacksonville State 70.....Alcorn State 66

MIDWEST
Michigan 69.....Ohio 46
Northwestern 88.....UIC 44

SOUTHWEST
UABP 11.....Tougaloo 60
Arizona 73.....Grambling State 46

FOOTBALL

Rank	Team	Rec.	Pts.	LW
1.	Alabama	13-0	13	0
2.	Clemson	12-1	12	1
3.	Ohio State	11-1	11	1
4.	Washington	12-1	12	1
5.	Penn St.	11-1	11	1
6.	Michigan	10-2	10	2
7.	Oklahoma	10-2	10	2
8.	Wisconsin	10-3	10	3
9.	Southern Cal	9-3	9	3
10.	Colorado	10-3	10	3
11.	Florida St.	9-3	9	3
12.	Oklahoma St.	9-3	9	3
13.	Louisville	9-3	9	3
14.	Auburn	8-4	8	4
15.	Western Michigan	13-0	13	0
16.	West Virginia	12-2	12	2
17.	Florida	8-4	8	4
18.	Stanford	8-3	8	3
19.	Utah	8-4	8	4
20.	LSU	7-4	7	4
21.	Tennessee	8-4	8	4
22.	Virginia Tech	8-4	8	4
23.	Pittsburgh	8-4	8	4
24.	Temple	10-3	10	3
25.	Navy	10-3	10	3

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The top 20 teams in the NCAA Division I men's ice hockey poll, compiled by U.S. College Hockey Online, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Dec. 11 and previous rankings:

Rank	Team	Rec.	Pts.	LW
1.	Minn.-Duluth (42)	11-3-2	991	1
2.	Denver (4)	12-3-3	948	2
3.	State (4)	13-1-1	886	3
4.	Harvard	11-2-1	790	6
5.	BC	13-6-1	767	4
6.	BU	9-5-2	745	5
7.	UMass-Lowell	10-5-3	712	9
8.	Nor. Dakota	9-4-0	660	8
9.	Ohio State	9-2-4	582	10
10.	Minnesota	9-5-2	532	11
11.	Vermont	10-4-2	494	12
12.	Notre Dame	9-6-2	403	14
13.	Dartmouth	11-3-2	393	15
14.	Quinnipiac	10-7-2	384	7
15.	Bemidji State	13-2-2	326	13
16.	Western Mich.	8-5-3	225	18
17.	St. Lawrence	10-5-4	202	19
18.	St. Cloud State	8-7-1	168	17
19.	Minnesota State	10-6-2	162	16
20.	Omaha	9-6-3	75	20

Others receiving votes: Cornell 49, Michigan Tech 29, Army 10, Clarkson 6, Providence 4, Michigan 1, Wisconsin 1.

NEW ENGLAND
Arizona St. 3.....AIC 2
BU 5.....Yale 2
Princeton 4.....UMass 3

Standings
HOCKEY EAST
Pts. W-L-T Conf. All
Boston College.....17 8-1-1 13-6-1
UMass-Lowell.....13 6-3-1 10-5-3
New Hampshire.....11 5-1-1 8-6-2
Notre Dame.....11 5-1-1 9-6-2
Vermont.....11 5-3-1 10-4-2
Boston Univ.....10 4-2-2 9-5-2
Connecticut.....10 4-3-2 6-6-6
Maine.....5 1-4-3 6-8-3
Massachusetts.....5 2-7-1 4-6-3
Providence.....4 1-4-2 7-9-3
Northeastern.....4 1-6-2 5-7-4
Maine.....3 1-6-1 7-9-3

ECAC HOCKEY
Conf. W-L-T All
Union.....17 8-1-1 12-3-4
St. Lawrence.....16 7-1-2 10-5-4
Quinnipiac.....13 6-4-1 10-7-2
Clarkson.....11 5-3-1 9-7-3
Harvard.....9 4-1-1 9-2-1
Cornell.....9 4-2-1 7-3-1
Princeton.....7 3-6-1 5-7-1
Colgate.....5 2-4-1 4-9-4
Yale.....5 2-5-1 4-10-2
Dartmouth.....5 1-3-2 4-5-2
Brown.....4 2-6-0 3-9-1
RPI.....2 1-9-0 3-16-0

ATLANTIC
Conf. W-L-T All
Army.....18 8-4-0 12-4-1
RIT.....16 8-5-0 8-9-1
Robert Morris.....15 7-4-1 9-6-3
Air Force.....13 6-3-1 9-5-2
Canisius.....13 5-3-3 6-8-3
Mercy.....12 4-3-1 6-7-0
AIC.....11 3-5-5 3-8-6
Holy Cross.....9 3-4-3 4-7-3
Bentley.....9 3-6-3 6-8-4
Sacred Heart.....8 4-8-0 6-10-2
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BOYS
NONLEAGUE
Dover-Sherborn 6.....Norton 0
Holliston 5.....Weston 5
Mansfield 3.....Norwood 3

ALS Tourney Consolation
Dracut 5.....Nashoba Tech 3

GIRLS
MERRIMACK VALLEY/DUAL COUNTY
Boston Latin 3.....Westford 3
NONLEAGUE
Algonquin/Hudson 7.....Oakmont 0
Framingham 11.....Stoughton 5

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	SA 9:30 CSN, ESPN		CHA 7:30 CSN		MIA 6:00 CSN		MEM 8:00 CSN

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Time	Event	Network
5 p.m.	Saint Joseph's at Princeton	ESPNU
7 p.m.	Chicago State at Northwestern	Big Ten
7 p.m.	Southern University at Baylor	ESPN
8 p.m.	UIC at DePaul	FS1
9 p.m.	Green Bay at Wisconsin	Big Ten
9 p.m.	UABP at Oklahoma St.	ESPNU
11 p.m.	Grand Canyon at Arizona	ESPNU

PRO BASKETBALL

7 p.m.	Indiana at Miami	ESPN
9:30 p.m.	Boston at San Antonio	CSN, ESPN

PRO HOCKEY

7:30 p.m.	Boston at Pittsburgh	NBCSN
10 p.m.	Philadelphia at Colorado	NBCSN

SOCCER

2:55 p.m.	Premier: Man. U. at Crystal Palace	NBCSN
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CAPE & ISLANDS
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Cathedral 73.....Card. Spellman 66
Marian 54.....Saint Joseph Prep 36
Pope John 60.....Lowell Cath. 54

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Mystic Valley 70.....Northeast 37

DUAL COUNTY
Waltham 51.....Westford 44

HOCKMOCK
Attleboro 64.....Canton 55
Franklin 72.....North Attleboro 51
Mansfield 66.....Foxboro 36
Milford 60.....King Philip 50
Oliver Ames 55.....Stoughton 47
Taunton 65.....Sharon 51

MBL
Cambridge (W) 50.....Newman 41

MID-WACH
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DINING OUT

HARVEST IS MORE THAN HISTORY

BY TED WEESNER
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT



JOSH REYNOLDS FOR THE BOSTON GLOBE
Pork pate served en croute at Harvest.

Back in the day, everyone called it The Harvest — this was before the article dropped off and it became simply Harvest, no introduction necessary.

And, once upon a time, I was a waiter there.

I used to regularly serve Julia Child. To the frustration of the chef, she favored the burger. Her husband paid the bills and never left more than 10 percent. We were still happy for a brush with such a personality. Once, during a snowstorm, I served “lunch” to a certain illustrious Massachusetts governor and his guest — martinis followed by two bottles of wine. The waitstaff looked on in awe. When I once tried to pour Chateau Margaux into Meryl Streep’s Riedel, I missed and hit her hand. She smiled. I went shakily about my business.

In those days, The Harvest was legend. An energy gripped the place. The cooks, the bartenders, the servers, the bussers, the baristas, the sommeliers, and of course the diners — everyone felt the charge, everyone was working on some kind of project in his or her spare time.

Like many aspiring writers, I found waiting on tables to be ideal work. You could log creative hours during the day, ex-

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Gaining a sense of accomplishment by making classic spritz cookies
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The cookie master

Dorie Greenspan’s recipes take your holiday baking to the next level. They might even bring about world peace.

BY SHERYL JULIAN | GLOBE CORRESPONDENT



WATERTOWN — Standing at my kitchen counter, Dorie Greenspan is rolling dough from a recipe in her new “Dorie’s Cookies,” and even though she’s one of the most celebrated cookbook authors in America, has written 12 volumes, makes remarkable confections, and is so stylishly dressed that everyone who sees her wants to know where she buys her clothes, she’s not an inch intimidating.

That’s partly because she’s down to earth, funny, and a cautious baker. She plods along. She’s not like pastry chefs you might see in the back of a shop starting with a ball of dough and turning it into a giant sheet in seconds. Greenspan keeps checking her own recipe — “What does she say?” she asks over and over, referring to her own book — and she isn’t fast. As she’s working, her sour-cream dough doesn’t magically come together; in fact, it looks rather sticky. But when her caramel-sugar puffedlets emerge from the oven, they’re deliciously crisp, golden, rectangular treats you might find in a high-end pastry case.

This is Greenspan’s great contribution to the world of cookies. She takes what you may already know and propels it into another sugar-coated stratosphere. “World Peace Cookies” are one example. Those chocolate shortbread cookies were first published in her 2002 volume, “Paris Sweets,” where they went by the name “Korova cookies,” because renowned Parisian pastry chef Pierre Herme had created them for a restaurant of that name. They’re essentially American slice-and-bake cookies with chunks of choco-

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Dorie Greenspan (left), author of the new “Dorie’s Cookies,” makes caramel-sugar puffedlets (from top): pulsing butter with flour, stirring sour cream and egg into a yeast mixture, shaping the dough into a rectangle, rolling and folding it, measuring to make sure the proportions are correct, and cutting it into bands that bake up crisp, golden, and irresistible.

By Christopher Muther
GLOBE STAFF

Many of my childhood Christmas memories involve sitting at the kitchen table and working on art projects that required piles of construction paper, pipe cleaners, and glitter while Johnny Mathis crooned “Sleigh Ride” on the hi-fi.

But it wasn’t all “Silent Night” at my house. Inevitably Johnny would be interrupted by unintelligible cursing, slamming pans, and then a ball of dough flying across the room and hitting the faux wood paneling with a thwack.

Those sounds meant my mother had begun her holiday baking.

For years her culinary adversaries were pie dough and spritz cookies. She mastered pie dough, but spritz cookies remained her sworn enemy. Spritz are created by a cookie press, which gives them their shape. The dough is similar to a butter cookie, but made extra firm by large amounts of flour. The process of extruding them from the press is not unlike pushing Play-Doh through a mold.

My mother blamed her malformed spritz on the dough. She blamed the cookie press. If she could, she would have blamed the cats. She would perhaps get five or six decent cookies from a full recipe before giving up.

Fortunately, my great-aunt had mastered the art of spritz cookies and always brought a repurposed tissue box full of them. Hers were Christmas trees dyed green with food coloring (most likely the toxic kind) and adorned with multi-color nonpareils. She may have had a difficult time finding ingredients in her home because she was a skilled hoarder, however the hoarding never got in the way of her baking.

When my great-aunt fell ill, it looked as if the tradition of spritz cookies would go with her.

Not on my watch.

I went in search of the perfect cookie press and the perfect spritz recipe. I found a battery-operated press at the late, great Caldor, and the perfect recipe from a 1980s Better Homes and Gardens cookbook. The spirit of my great-aunt possessed me (the cooking part, not the hoarding) and I began churning out dozens of perfectly formed spritz-y trees, poinsettias, and wreaths.

I started branching out into other holiday cookie varieties: double-dipped mint chocolate slices, cream cheese cutouts, and molasses clove. I



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It's tradition. It's therapy. They don't need to be perfect.



Christopher Muther preparing spritz cookies at his home. Top: the finished product.

gained a reputation in my family as the cookie guy. When one of my high-falutin friends began duplicating my cream cheese cutouts for his swanky Christmas soirees, I knew I had arrived.

The baking tradition may have been born of my hankering for spritz cookies, but it has since become something much more important. It doesn't matter how hectic December becomes — I always take a day or two and make

a mess of the kitchen with splattered butter and clouds of flour. It's therapy. I gain a tremendous sense of accomplishment by taking on a task that can be tidily completed in a day. There are few things in life that can be accomplished in just a few hours with a rolling pin and lots of sugar.

For the past six years, my friend Oliver Sellers-Garcia has joined in on cookie day. Baking solo is fine. Baking with a friend means you can split tasks

and go twice as fast, unless you and your friend have a penchant for stopping to eat most of what you bake, sipping prosecco, and catching up on gossip.

Normally our lack of efficiency doesn't get in the way of quality. This year, however, there were a few hiccups. Oliver was packing the dough into the cookie press too tightly. A few of his spritz cookies resembled Quasimodo on a tilt-a-whirl, and for some rea-

Classic spritz cookies

Makes about 7 dozen cookies

You'll need a cookie press to make these. Although the recipe says the almond extract is optional, I always include it. I also make a chocolate variation that may not be as pretty as the traditional but is extremely flavorful: Just reduce the amount of flour to 3¼ cups, and in Step 2 incorporate ¼ cup cocoa powder with the first addition of ingredients.

1½ cups butter, at room temperature
3½ cups flour
1 cup sugar
1 egg
1 teaspoon baking powder
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
½ teaspoon almond extract (optional)
Colored sugar for decorating

1. Have on hand a cookie press. Set the oven at 375. In an electric mixer, cream the butter on medium to high speed for 30 seconds.
2. Turn the mixer to its lowest speed and add 1 cup of the flour, sugar, egg, baking powder, vanilla, and, if using, almond extract. Beat until thoroughly combined, scraping down the sides of the bowl. Beat in the remaining 2½ cups flour.
3. Using the cookie press, press the dough onto an ungreased cookie sheet. Sprinkle cookies with colored sugar. Bake for 8 to 10 minutes, or until edges are just slightly golden. Cool on a wire rack. *Adapted from "Better Homes and Gardens: New Cook Book"*

son he took a liking to producing spritz hearts sprinkled with pink sugar. I'm a purist, so I eventually hid the pink sugar and steered him back to trees.

We produced about 80 spritz cookies, and promptly ate around 30 of them. Hard labor makes a man hungry. Fortified by butter and sugar, we were ready for the challenge of cream cheese cutouts. In the past we frosted the cutouts like a pair of pros. This year it was a challenge to manage one edible-looking cookie. There was a snowman that looked like a French lady of the evening, a Santa Claus who was mistaken for a seahorse, and an ornament-shaped cookie that looked as if it had a bad case of shingles.

I remained calm in the face of these setbacks. I kept the cursing to a minimum, and through it all I resisted the urge to throw the dough or the frosting at the wall. There are some family traditions that should never be handed down.

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Holiday Baking



SALLY PASLEY VARGAS FOR THE BOSTON GLOBE

Linzer cookies

Makes about 5 dozen 3-inch cookies for 30 jam sandwiches

Linzer cookies, based on the Austrian linzer torte with jam peeking through a lattice top, just scream “holidays!” Maybe you won't be strolling through snow-covered Alpine forests this year, but the nostalgia persists. If you want to make the cookies ahead, store the baked cookies in a tin and fill them with jam at the last minute.

½ cup whole almonds
⅓ cup sugar
2¼ cups flour
1½ teaspoons cinnamon
¼ teaspoon salt
1 cup (2 sticks) unsalted butter, at room temperature
1 egg
½ teaspoon finely grated lemon rind
2 tablespoons lemon juice
Extra flour (for rolling)
½ cup confectioners' sugar, for dusting
⅓ cup raspberry or apricot jam

1. In a food processor, process the almonds and sugar until finely ground.
2. In a bowl, whisk the flour, cinnamon, and salt until combined
3. In a mixer bowl with the paddle attachment on medium-low speed, beat the butter until smooth. Add the ground almonds and sugar, egg, lemon rind, and lemon juice. Mix on low speed until combined. Add the dry ingredients ½ cup at a time, and mix on low speed until combined.
4. Turn the dough onto the counter and divide in half. Shape each half into a flat rectangle. Wrap in plastic and refrigerate for 1 hour.
5. Line a baking sheet with parchment paper. On a lightly floured counter, roll one piece of dough to a thickness of about ¼ inch. Using a 2½- to 3-inch cutter (rounds, stars, or other shapes of that size), cut out cookies and place on baking sheet. If using multiple shapes, cut an even number of each to make the jam sandwiches. Re-roll the scraps until all the dough is used. Refrigerate the cut cookies for 30 minutes.

6. Set the oven at 350 degrees. While cookies are chilling, roll and cut the second piece of dough as you did the first, using new parchment with each sheet. Refrigerate for 30 minutes.
7. For the sandwich tops, use a small cutter or pastry tip to cut out a circle in the center of half the cookies. Or use a straw to cut out multiple holes, if you like.
8. Bake for 9 to 11 minutes, or until lightly browned. Leave on the pans for 5 minutes, then transfer to wire racks to cool completely.
9. To assemble: Place the tops on a baking sheet and sift confectioners' sugar on top. Turn the bottoms upside down (so the flat side is facing up) and spread with a scant teaspoon of jam. Carefully place the tops over the jam and gently press. Store in an airtight tin between layers of waxed paper for up to 4 days, or freeze for 1 month. Alternatively, store the unfilled cookies for up to a week in an airtight container and assemble at the last minute.

Sally Pasley Vargas



KAROLINE BOEHM GOODNICK FOR THE BOSTON GLOBE

Chocolate-frosted spice cookies

Makes 16

These crisp and chewy spice cookies are filled with dried cranberries and walnuts and decorated with a shiny chocolate ganache. The frosting is made with a small amount of corn syrup to help it keep its sheen.

COOKIES

1 cup flour
¾ teaspoon baking powder
¼ teaspoon salt
1½ teaspoons ground cinnamon
1 teaspoon ground allspice
½ teaspoon ground nutmeg
¼ teaspoon ground cloves
½ cup unsalted butter, at room temperature
½ cup packed dark brown sugar
⅓ cup granulated sugar
1 egg
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
⅔ cup walnuts, chopped
⅔ cup dried cranberries, chopped
Flour (for shaping)

1. Set the oven at 350 degrees. Line 2 baking sheets with parchment paper.
2. In a bowl, whisk the flour, baking powder, salt, cinnamon, allspice, nutmeg, and cloves

to blend them.

3. In an electric mixer at medium speed, beat the butter with the brown and granulated sugars until well blended. Beat in the egg, followed by the vanilla. With the mixer set on its lowest speed, blend in the flour mixture, walnuts, and cranberries.
4. With lightly floured hands, shape the dough into 1½-inch balls. Place on the baking sheets 2 inches apart.
5. Bake for 15 minutes or until the edges are golden and the tops feel soft. Transfer the sheets to wire racks to cool for 5 minutes. Transfer the cookies from the parchment to the racks to cool completely.

FROSTING

2 ounces semisweet chocolate, chopped
2 tablespoons heavy cream
1 tablespoon light corn syrup

1. In a small saucepan over very low heat, combine the chocolate, cream, and corn syrup. Cook, stirring occasionally, until the chocolate melts.

2. With a small spatula, spread the frosting on the tops of the cookies (it will not cover the entire tops). Set aside until the chocolate firms up. *Jean Kressy*



SUZANNE KREITER/GLOBE STAFF

The margherita pizza at Area Four in the South End.

art, old films, Japanese classics, and sports. The dark bar area is black and coral. Red Knoll chairs, which lean back so far you'll think you may fall over (so far no one has), surround blond wood tables. In the open kitchen, you can see the copper hood over the burners and around the wood-burning oven, already a beautiful verdigris.

The menu is more daring than at the Kendall Square spot. Shaved Brussels sprouts salad (\$12) with shredded kale is tossed with candied hazelnuts, pecorino, and a lemon dressing, crisp and delightfully crunchy. Cauliflower soup (\$10), which begins with wood-charred florets and leeks, is garnished with mushrooms and a brown-butter vinaigrette. The popular Middle Eastern herb blend za'atar is mixed with yogurt to make a sauce for bright charred greens (\$10).

Two pieces of rich, braised pork belly (\$14), slightly smoky, sit on a bed of farro and barley with a soft egg and bok choy, wonderful tastes and textures nestled together. Golden, charred brasa chicken (\$24 for half, which serves two; \$42 whole) is garnished with crusty, creamy small potatoes. A plate of tempura-battered "Trash Fish & Chips" (\$19), typically prepared with snapper haddock or hake, has an incredibly airy and delicate crust, and the potatoes, which begin as steamed whole russets, are cooked again in simmering oil, and finally in deep fat. A delicious remoulade is mixed with homemade mayo.

One weekend night in a packed dining room, an enthusiastic, efficient server is right there the minute we seem to be searching for something. Yet, on a weeknight in a nearly empty room, the waiter takes our order and disappears. The kitchen is in slo-mo. A runner brings some food, then nothing. This crazy situation of seeing service collapse on a dead night — something that has happened to us a dozen times — is perplexing. What's going on?

Just as we're mulling this over, little jars of chocolate pudding appear, courtesy of the house. Instead of a dessert menu here, diners receive these custard beauties. Pond says they weren't ready to have a pastry chef on board, but customers like something sweet. We dip demitasse spoons into dark chocolate, sea salt, and creme fraiche and service snafus are the furthest things from our minds.

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CHEAP EATS
DINING DEALS IN GREATER BOSTON

Area Four moves to a new neighborhood, and the next level

By Sheryl Julian
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

I am eating one of the best pizzas in Boston, charred on the bottom and along its chewy edges, cooked through so there's no mushy underlayer, with topping proportions exactly right. You wouldn't think it was so hard to get pizza this good, but great pies in this town are rare. Chef Jeff Pond, an Area Four partner, bakes his in a wood-burning oven, and you see how outstanding they are with the first taste of margherita (\$13), the mozzarella-tomato-basil classic. Shiitake, fontina, and gremolata (\$17) is also magnificent.

The restaurant is Area Four's new South End location. The pizza is also made in Kendall Square (and was made at A4, a Somerville spot that closed after an electrical fire in 2015). But it tastes better than ever in the new digs in the Troy Building near the Ink Block.

Pond explains that his base is essentially bread dough made with a 15-year-old starter that gets a 36-hour rise. He starts pies close to a mound of glowing embers to get a "spring" — airiness in the dough — before moving them to the periphery to continue to toast. The chef began with the Area Four team, which included restaura-

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teur Michael Leviton, at their first place, Persephone. Opened by co-owner Michael Krupps a decade ago in the back of a retail clothing shop in Fort Point, Persephone hit before the neighborhood became chic; it had a brief run. Leviton is no longer with the group.

The new restaurant has old vinyl on turntables with a volume that can be turned so loud conversation at a small table is difficult. A large screen shows video

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The cookie master

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late. The dough is dark with cocoa powder, seasoned with salt (a delightful amount that you can taste), and studded with hand-chopped bittersweet chocolate. The cookies are rich and intense.

Then a neighbor of Greenspan's renamed them World Peace Cookies, she writes in "Dorie's Cookies," because "he was convinced that if everyone in the world could have these cookies, there would be planetary peace." Food bloggers everywhere made them and the recipe went viral. "Google the recipe," says Greenspan. "The last time I checked there were 15,000 results." (There are now about 29,400.)

The caramel-sugar puffedlets she's making today will probably not have the same momentum, but I wouldn't be surprised if pastry chefs started using her dough in place of classic puff pastry, which it most resembles. If you've ever seen elephant ears or palmiers, that's what this dough looks like after baking. Golden-brown layers caramelize because sugar is rolled and rerolled into the dough. It has humble origins. It comes from a book called "1001 Dairy Dishes From the Sealtest Kitchens," published five decades ago by the dairy company. "I can't imagine where [the book] came from," says Greenspan, "or why I have it, or why I kept it for so long." She adapted a yeast dough for the food processor and uses it as the base for the puffedlets.

World Peace Cookies

Makes about 3 dozen

- 1¼ cups flour
- ½ cup unsweetened cocoa powder
- ½ teaspoon baking soda
- 1 stick plus 3 tablespoons (11 tablespoons) unsalted butter, at room temperature
- ¾ cup packed light brown sugar
- ¼ cup granulated sugar
- ¼ teaspoon fine sea salt
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 5 ounces bittersweet chocolate, chopped into chip-size bits, or chocolate mini-chips

1. In a bowl, whisk the flour, cocoa, and baking soda to blend them.
2. In an electric mixer, fitted with the paddle attachment if you have one, or the whisk, beat the butter on medium speed until it is soft and creamy. Add the light brown and granulated sugar, salt, and vanilla and beat 2 minutes more.
3. Reduce the mixer speed to low and add the flour mixture, mixing only until it is incorporated; the dough may look crumbly, but that's OK. For the best texture, work the dough as little as possible once the flour is added. Toss in the chocolate pieces and mix only to incorporate them.
4. Turn the dough out onto a work surface, divide it in half, gather it together, and, working with one-half at a time, shape the dough into a log that is 1½ inches in diameter. Wrap the logs in plastic wrap and chill for at least 3 hours or for up to 3 days.

Greenspan and her husband, Michael, a former software-company owner who is also visiting today, have been traveling back and forth to France for more than 40 years from an apartment in New York and a house in Westbrook, Conn. Now they have to rethink things, because their Paris landlord sold the apartment they've rented for nine years in the fashionable 6th arrondissement.

Greenspan has written many of her books in Paris, but began by collaborating with Julia Child on "Baking With Julia." Then came two more joint efforts, "Deserts by Pierre Herme," and "Daniel Boulud's Cafe Boulud Cookbook." "Baking From My Home to Yours," "Around My French Table," and "Baking Chez Moi" followed. She has won four James Beard Awards.

"Dorie's Cookies" looks nothing like her previous works. Where nostalgia plays a big part in other books, cookie photographs in the new book are taken very close on intensely colored backgrounds with bright lighting and deep shadows, without context or a sense of place. They were shot by Davide Luciano, whom Greenspan met when she owned Beurre & Sel, a cookie boutique in New York. "It's daring," she says of the photography.

In my kitchen, in a denim smock she bought last year in Japan — "My mother told me if I liked something, always buy two, but I didn't listen," she says — with a starched white shirt and a silk Hermes pocket square tied at her neck (trademark

pieces), Greenspan rolls the sour cream dough carefully, using a ruler to see if the length is exactly twice the width. This will help the pastry puff in the oven. "There is something so satisfying about rolling dough, especially when it doesn't fight you," she says. She folds the dough like a letter: bottom third up, top third down, then turns it so it looks like an unopened paperback and proceeds to roll and fold it, dusting generously with sugar, two more times.

For this recipe, I have prepared Greenspan's mise en place (the French expression for measuring everything before you begin) using cups and spoons. At home, she weighs everything. But she's decided weights or cups don't matter. "Everyone says baking is so precise, so specific," she says. "I say no, there's wiggle room in every recipe."

In Connecticut, she and an assistant had used different kinds of cornmeal to test a cookie recipe. It worried Greenspan, so she went out and bought three different brands: Indian Head, Bob's Red Mill, and Quaker. Then she compared them. "I weighed, measured, used two different sets of cups, and they were all different.

"First I was panicked, then I was euphoric, then I took a deep breath. It was an epiphany. I felt a sense of calm." Cooks all over the country will have access to ingredients she hasn't used in her testing, and ultimately, everyone will make great cookies. Now, she has decided, though she prefers weighing ingredients, bakers should do what they're most comfortable with.

The puffedlets are done, but she returns them to the oven. She subscribes to the theory that when pastry is cooked, set the timer for a few more minutes. Many bakers undercook their confections, and a little more heat won't hurt. The results are so crunchy with caramel, and so delicious, it's impossible to keep our hands off them.

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ARAM BOGHOSIAN FOR THE BOSTON GLOBE

Caramel-sugar puffedlets

Makes about 30

You only need half the sour-cream dough for these cookies. Use the rest for more cookies or for a savory recipe that calls for puff pastry (in which case roll and fold with flour). Allow time for the dough to chill twice. If your kitchen is hot and/or the dough is soft, slide the dough onto a parchment-lined baking sheet and pop it into the refrigerator or freezer for 15 minutes. If it tears, patch it by sprinkling the tear with flour (be stingy with flour), and chill before carrying on.

DOUGH

- 1 package (2¼ teaspoons) dry active rapid or regular yeast
- ¼ cup warm water
- ¾ cups flour
- 1½ teaspoons fine sea salt
- 1 cup (2 sticks) cold unsalted butter, cut into small pieces
- 1 egg
- ¾ cup full-fat sour cream

1. In a bowl, stir the yeast into the water and set aside for 5 minutes. The yeast may not bubble; that's OK.
2. In a food processor, combine the flour and salt. Pulse to blend them. Scatter the butter on top and pulse in 10-second spurts until the flour looks grainy.
3. In another bowl, whisk the egg and sour cream until smooth. Stir in the yeast mixture. Add the sour-cream mixture to the food processor a little at a time, pulsing after each addition. Then pulse until you have a moist dough.
4. Scrape the dough out onto a work surface and knead briefly and lightly to form a ball. Cut the ball in half, shape each piece into a flat rectangle, and wrap in plastic wrap. Refrigerate for at least 2 hours or up to 4 days. You will use half the dough for these cookies.

COOKIES

- ½ cup sugar
- Extra sugar (for rolling)
- Flour (for sprinkling), if needed

1. Have a ruler on hand. Sprinkle the work surface with some of the ½ cup sugar, place the dough on the sugar, and sprinkle with more sugar. By the end of rolling and folding, you will have used the full ½ cup.
2. Roll the dough, lifting it from time to time to make sure it's not sticking, and sprinkling the work surface with more sugar as needed, until it is 16 inches long and 8 inches wide. It's hard to be exact, but the closer you can come to these measurements and to having the dough twice as long as it is wide, the more evenly the cookies will puff.
3. Fold the dough in thirds as you would a business letter by lifting the bottom third of the dough (the end closest to you) over the center of the dough, then bringing down the top third of the dough to cover the bottom fold. Turn the dough so the long side that looks like the pages of a book is on your right. This is the basic technique for rolling and it's the one you'll repeat, always turning the dough in the same direction, always rolling on sugar and sprinkling more sugar on top, 2 more times for a total of 3 turns.
4. Wrap the dough in plastic wrap and refrigerate for up to 2 hours.
5. Set the oven at 375 degrees. Line 2 baking sheets with parchment paper.
6. Sprinkle additional sugar on the work surface and over the dough and roll the dough out to a 16-by-8-inch rectangle. Using a bench scraper, a pizza wheel, or a knife (take care not to mar your counter), cut the dough in half vertically, then horizontally into 1-inch-wide bands. You can also cut the bands crosswise in half again to make nuggets.
7. Set them on the baking sheets 1 inch apart. Bake for 14 to 16 minutes, rotating the sheets top to bottom and front to back halfway through baking, or until the cookies are puffed and golden. Transfer the sheets to wire racks to cool. The cookies are best eaten the day they are baked.

Adapted from "Dorie's Cookies"



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5. Set the oven at 325 degrees. Line 2 baking sheets with parchment paper.
6. Working with a sharp thin-bladed knife, cut the logs into ½-inch-thick rounds. The rounds often crack as you're cutting them; just squeeze the bits back onto the cookie. Arrange the rounds on the baking sheets 1 inch apart.
7. Bake in the center of the oven for 12 minutes. They won't look done, nor will they be firm, but that's the way they should be.
8. Transfer the baking sheet to a wire rack and let the cookies cool until they are only just warm. Serve warm or at room temperature. Slice and bake the remaining cookies in the same way. Store in an airtight container for 3 days.

Adapted from "Dorie's Cookies"



MATTHEW J. LEE/GLOBE STAFF

Doris Montoya rolls out the dough for alfajores in her home bakery.

'Everyone likes your cookies. Why don't you start selling them?'

By Lisa Zwirn
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

MARLBOROUGH — Doris Montoya's hands move quickly and surely as she rolls out a ball of cookie dough and stamps out small scalloped rounds. She could probably make alfajores, cookie sandwiches filled with creamy dulce de leche, with her eyes closed. "For me, it's like therapy," she says.

It's also a budding little business. Montoya, 53, is the "Doris" of Doris' Peruvian Pastries, whose customers keep clamor-

ing for her alfajores, rosquitas, orejitas, and cocadas. "Many people here call them cookies, but for us they're pastries," she says.

Raised in Lima, Montoya, her husband, Marco Antonio Flores, and sons Gabriel and Marco came to the United States 11 years ago. Baking has always been a hobby, except for the year she didn't go near her mother's oven after a gas pilot-lighting mishap singed her 12-year-old eyebrows and eyelashes. Alfajores, a beloved Peruvian

(and South American) confection, are one of her specialties. It's a double treat: Melt-in-your-mouth butter cookies surround a filling of rich dulce de leche (often referred to as manjar blanco in Peru), another favorite of the region. The milk-based caramel is typically made by cooking sweetened condensed milk for a few hours until it is thick and golden.

Turning her passion for baking into a business was son Marco's idea. When he was a

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Alfajores

Makes 25 to 30 cookie sandwiches

- ¾ cup (1½ sticks) unsalted butter, at room temperature
- ½ cup confectioners' sugar
- 1 cup flour
- 1 cup cornstarch
- Dash of salt
- Flour (for dusting)
- 1 can (about 13 ounces) dulce de leche
- Confectioners' sugar (for sprinkling)

1. In the bowl of an electric mixer fitted with the paddle attachment (or in a large bowl, using a hand-held mixer), combine the butter and confectioners' sugar. Beat until creamy.
2. Remove the bowl from the mixer stand. Using a fine-mesh sieve, sift the flour, cornstarch, and salt into the bowl with the creamed butter and sugar. Return the bowl to the stand and, with the mixer on low speed, combine the ingredients. Increase the speed to moderate and beat until the dough starts to come together in large clumps. Using your hands, form the dough into a ball. Divide the dough in half and wrap each in plastic wrap. Refrigerate for 30 minutes.
3. Set the oven at 325 degrees. Line a large baking sheet with parchment paper.
4. On a lightly floured surface, place one ball of dough. Dust with flour and roll out the dough until it is no more than ¼-inch thick. (If the dough cracks, just press the edges together.)
5. Using a 1½- to 1¾-inch round or scalloped cookie cutter, stamp out cookies close together. Using a thin metal spatula, transfer the rounds to the prepared pan and place about ¾ inch apart. Reroll the scraps. With the tines of a fork, gently prick the tops of the cookies twice in the center, being careful not to pierce all the way through; this will keep them from puffing.
6. Bake for 14 to 16 minutes, rotating the sheet from front to back halfway through baking, or until cookies are just slightly pale golden. Cool completely on a rack. Repeat with the remaining dough. (You can make the cookies up to a week ahead; store in an airtight container.)
7. On the bottom side of half of the cookies, place 1 to 1½ teaspoons of dulce de leche. (The amount will depend on the size of the cookies.) Top with another cookie, bottom side facing the filling. Gently press down to seal. Just before serving, sprinkle lightly with confectioners' sugar. Store in an airtight container for up to 2 days. *Adapted from Doris' Peruvian Pastries*

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haust yourself at night making rent. For a solid chunk of the early '90s, five shifts a week, I hustled the floor. Fell in love there, met my best pal, watched an obsession with cooking blossom. When I quit the place, I knew it better than my brother. (Sorry, Stevie.)

The jingle we heard by night was not money, though there was plenty to go around. It was culture. As house organ of the neighborhood university, the Harvard Square spot offered up a cast of luminaries on any given night. Nobel laureate, celebrity novelist, local rock star, fabled opera singer, aging screen icon. They were a dime a dozen.

Over the 41 years the restaurant has been open, the kitchen has seen an equal parade of talent, including Lydia Shire, Chris Schlesinger, Barbara Lynch, Sara Moulton, Frank McClelland, Bob Kinhead, Jimmy Burke. It was opened in 1975 by celebrated architect-designers Ben and Jane Thompson, whose firm Design Research reinvented Faneuil Hall, Navy Pier, and South Street Seaport. They were equally visionary regarding culinary trends. They set upon farm-to-table early, and put forth an upstart American aesthetic that challenged the traditional European. (Sometimes to a laughable extent; raspberry coulis was ladled out like soup.)

Oddly, the Harvest of then surely looked more contemporary than today's Harvest. It was an airy exercise in Scandinavian light backdropped with swaths of Marimekko fabric, which the Thompsons introduced to the US via Finland. In other words, design out of reach. Today, Harvest's ceilings hover low, wood runs baronial, decorative touches smack of luxe seriousness.

Yet the restaurant, tucked down an alleyway off Brattle Street, continues to buzz like a hive. It's as if the conversation never stopped. Old professors continue to hold forth. Young academics argue vehemently, then explode with laughter. The Europeans still roll in late wearing black.

And for the most part, the food at Harvest hits as squarely and creatively as ever. That sophisticated American style the Thompsons nosed out has assumed an impressive life of its own. If anything, the service is better: quietly, knowledgeably professional.

Granted, the cocktail menu could be swapped with that at just about any other area restaurant. At \$14 a pop, one



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From top: Maine sea urchin, garlic and fennel roasted porchetta, and caramelized apple entremet at Harvest.

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What to order Sea urchin, pork pate, apples & fennel, whole wheat pappardelle, venison, porchetta, apple entremet

hopes for concoctions that run deeper and more daring. Thankfully, the ambitious wine list is both those things.

The pork pate is a tremendous start to dinner. Served en croute, studded with pistachios and dried black cherries and draped with pear mostarda, it elaborates boldly on what had been a simple Harvest staple. For a lighter beginning, the Maine sea urchin offers a quintet of sweet discord. Lobes of uni see their funk checked then raised by weightier celery root and toasted brioche, brighter green apple and radish.

Apple and fennel salad is beautiful enough to justify the price (\$14) for mere apple and fennel. As with the sea urchin, texture and intensity are put subtly into play. I eat this before the garlic and fennel roasted porchetta — pork loin inside crisped pork belly, served with farro risotto and green chimichurri — which has to be one of the more satisfying one-two punches around.

A few of the starters could use retooling. The beet salad sounds promising, yet the brie it's layered with is tough, offering no creamy solace. Parsley rigatoni represents one half of a superb dish. Sure, the pasta is beguilingly green and toasted hazelnuts cast surprise depth and crunch, but it misses the simple bite of straight-up parsley. My mouth pines for it.

Still, at most turns chef Tyler Kinnett upends expectations vividly. This accounts for one of Harvest's finest dishes. What sounds weird — whole-wheat pappardelle with braised veal, toasted pepitas, and zhoug (a Middle Eastern condiment made with spicy green peppers, cilantro, and parsley) — tastes multidimensional and novel in the best sort of way. I could eat this pasta every week.

Entrees follow the zigzag trail left by appetizers: wannabes laced with acts of transcendence. Risotto comes strewn generously with foraged mushrooms, braced with arugula pistou, yet slicked with olive oil and butter. The halibut, described as "brown butter poached," turns out to be a honking fillet that feels like work to eat, and especially when fanned with undercooked pumpkin.

Meat, however, is where everything comes alive. That porchetta is the definition of visceral pleasure. The venison — another echo from the Harvest of yore — can be glimpsed on just about every table. And with good reason. Served atop wine-braised cabbage, dolloped with sweet potato, traced with Concord grape jus, it is perfect for the cold season.

Somebody has been let loose to experiment at Harvest's dessert station. The birch-beer float is fun to look at — a scoop of black-pepper ice cream sitting in a tuile suspended over a half-filled glass of soda — yet its

puzzle pieces never quite fit. To resuscitate the real thing, you may be tempted to grab a can of A&W and a pint of vanilla on the trip home. Every Harvest dessert acts as eye candy, including a delicious caramelized apple entremet that's the color of a preppy's chinos. (Kelly green, no whales.)

In a restaurant world that's increasingly corporatized — Harvest is part of Himmel Hos-

pitality Group, which also includes Grill 23 and Post 390 — this quirky play with sugar and cream and fruit feels like a Cambridge throwback. For a few moments, it allows you to shut your eyes and travel into the past. No cellphone, no Instagramming the meal, just a man and his apple.

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Continued from preceding page student at Bentley College, he told her, "Everyone likes your cookies. Why don't you start selling them?" So two years ago she opened a small home bakery; last year, a loan through Accion US Network enabled her to purchase a commercial convection oven.

Montoya places the scalloped rounds close together on a parchment-lined baking sheet and then they go into the oven. They're done when just barely pale golden. After they cool, she uses a pastry bag to squeeze a Hershey's kiss-size dollop of dulce de leche on half of the cookies. She places another round on top and presses down gently until the filling spreads to the edges. After they get a light dusting of confectioners' sugar, the cookies are packed in plastic containers.

"The alfajores we make are Alfajores de Maizena," she says, emphasizing the word for cornstarch. The fine powder, used in an equal amount as flour, yields an incredibly tender cookie that practically dissolves on the tongue. "It's a harder cookie with just flour," she says.

Montoya, who still has a full-time office job, is assisted by her older son, Gabriel, 24, who prepares and shapes the dough for some of the confections. He lets his mother do the baking. "I don't want to burn them," he says.

Orejitas (meaning little ears)

are a mini version of elephant ears or French palmiers — sweet, crackly-flaky, heart-shaped pastries. Rosquitas are firm, crisp cookies, lightly flavored with aniseed, in the shape of a twisted ring. Cocadas are Latin American-style coconut macaroons. The bakers also make pionono, a sponge cake roll filled with dulce de leche; milhojas, layered puff pastry (as mille feuille) with dulce de leche; and Peruvian-style vanilla and chocolate truffles.

Son Marco, 22, handles the marketing. Even though most of the cookies have a shelf life of two or three weeks, Gabriel says, "We don't sell them unless they're fresh." What they don't bring to the markets, the family gets to eat. "It's nice to have them for a snack," says Gabriel. Unlike the cobbler's children who might go without shoes, this baker's family gets to enjoy her sweets.

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Q&A

LIOR LEV SERCARZ

Don’t ‘season with salt and pepper,’ and other spice advice

By Michael Floreak
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

“We’re just not born into a culture that uses spices, most of us. That doesn’t mean that we cannot use them,” says New York-based chef and author Lior Lev Sercarz. With his new book, “The Spice Companion: A Guide to the World of Spices,” Sercarz aims to demystify the sometimes mysterious uses of spice to help home cooks bring flavors to life.

The book is an encyclopedic tour of 102 spice varieties, focusing on their history, origin, and uses, with suggestions for combining them in spice blends. Sercarz writes that growing up

in Israel, he was exposed both to the “boiled, flavorless dishes” of Eastern Europe in his kibbutz as well as surrounding flavor influences from Morocco, Persia, and the native wild herbs that grew near his home. But it wasn’t until working in the kitchen of French chef Olivier Roellinger that he discovered a passion for cooking with spice. Today, Sercarz has mostly left restaurant kitchens behind to operate the spice shop La Boîte in New York.

Q. Your definition of spice isn’t the same as the dictionary’s.

A. Oh no. To me, spice equals seasoning. That pretty much opens it to ev-

erything. It’s the traditional spices we think of — seeds, grains. But then there’s rhizomes, barks, fruits, cheese, shellfish, seafood. Somebody brought me a piece of stone not that long ago from the Himalayas that has a really large content of sulfur. Think of an egg, but in a rock form that you can microplane.

Q. Why are salt and pepper the common seasonings in all foods?

A. One of my non-official battles is against the phrase “season with salt and pepper.” I think it should say “season with sodium and heat,” and you pick the sodium and you pick the heat.

Maybe you don’t like salt, and fish sauce is your thing. Go for it. Maybe you don’t like peppercorns. What if you like chile flakes? Saying “pepper” is like saying I need shoes, or a car. There’s a wide variety from the simple fact that green pepper, black pepper, white pepper, and red peppercorns all come from the same vine, the same plant. They’re just different levels of ripeness. Pepper is not just about heat, which is how we see it. Pepper does deliver heat, but if it’s good pepper, there’s some sweetness, acidity, and sourness. Some citrus notes at times.

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Q. Before heading off to the store to build a more interesting spice collection, how should someone prepare?

A. First I think you should do a little cleanup at home. Take everything out and evaluate what is there. Whatever is good, make a point to use it. After that, when you are going to start rotating your stock and buying more responsibly, I often say just pick the most random thing out of the shelf that you never thought about. Try it on as many different things as possible, from your morning coffee or tea to your eggs to your water throughout the day and see how it reacts. There's no other way but experimenting and educating yourself.

Q. Is it OK to buy spices from the grocery store?

A. If it's your local bodega, grocery store, supermarket, it's all good. You just have to teach yourself how to judge what's good and what's not. Price is sometimes an indication of quality because somebody was responsible in sourcing and packing. Look at a package. If it says whole peppercorn and it's a lot of dust in the bottom, then they're not whole.

Q. Is it always best to buy whole spices and grind them yourself?

A. You can quote me on this from the person who preaches about spices: It's OK to buy ground spices, absolutely. If they're good. Not everybody has the



THOMAS SCHAUER

It's OK to buy ground spices, absolutely. If they're good. Not everybody has the patience or wants to spend \$20 on a coffee grinder. Let somebody else do it for you.'

LIOR LEV SERCARZ,
New York-based chef and author

patience or wants to spend \$20 on a coffee grinder. Let somebody else do it for you. Buy less of it because they're just exposed to air, so they're going to evaporate much quicker. . . . All spices need to be protected from humidity and cold, but ground even more so, because they're just going to form lumps if there's any humidity.

Q. What underappreciated spices are your favorites?

A. There's probably a long list of under-the-radar spices. I keep on going back all the time to nigella seeds. They look like a weird-shaped black sesame, but they're not part of that family. They have a combination between a little nutty nose scent, little onion, little garlic, and a little oregano even. Plus they offer a certain sweetness and bitterness. Dried garlic. People say, I don't use dry garlic. I only use fresh garlic. Dried garlic, if it's good, delivers a certain flavor that you can never achieve with fresh garlic.

Q. You're not necessarily a fan of keeping lots of individual spices on hand.

A. I tell people that if you are making a recipe and it calls for ginger and you don't have ginger, don't run and buy ginger. See what you can do. Trust yourself. Go with it.

Interview was condensed and edited.
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TV CRITIC'S CORNER

BY MATTHEW GILBERT

Marc Maron curates the 'Lorne Stories'

One of the quirky things about podcaster Marc Maron has been his obsession with his meeting with Lorne Michaels in 1995, when he was considered for a "Weekend Update" slot on "Saturday Night Live." With every "SNL"-related performer and writer he has interviewed on his show, "WTF," Maron has revisited his rejection in extreme detail, picking through it with his usual mixture of anger, envy, and self-loathing.

Back in October, Maron finally got a chance to resolve his "SNL" issues by having a long interview with Michaels. He learned that Michaels talked to him in the first place because he admired Maron's style, but that the timing wasn't right to hire Maron in 1995, given the cast members already in place. (By the way, other famous "SNL" rejectees include Jim Carrey, Steve Carell, Lisa Kudrow, Kathy Griffin, Louis C.K., Stephen Colbert, Kevin Hart, and Geena Davis.) It was an interesting enough conversation, but Maron never really pushed Michaels into anything revelatory.

Now, Maron has put together an episode of excerpts from old interviews that revolve around Michaels.



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Lorne Michaels

Called "Lorne Stories," the episode includes comments on their boss from Amy Poehler, Jason Sudeikis, Norm Macdonald, Bill Hader, Fred Armisen, Seth Meyers, Jimmy Fallon, Molly Shannon, Will Ferrell, Andy Samberg, Will Forte, Mike Myers, Jenny Slate, Kenan Thompson, and Michaela Watkins.

It's a really enjoyable two hours, and it delivers a more precise idea of who Michaels is than Maron's own interview did. We hear about what he likes, the way he treats his staff, and, probably most importantly, how they project their own issues onto him.

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Showtime 2	(6:00) Listen to Me Marlon TV-MA-LV	(7:45) Bert Kreischer: TV-MA-L	Tony Roberts (CC) HD TV-MA-L
Starz!	The Fifth Element	(7:15) ★★ Nine Months (1995): A shrink breaks with his love.	Blunt Talk
TMC	(6:15) Good Kill (2014) (CC) HD R	★★★★ Hoop Dreams (1994) (CC): Inspirational true story that follows two high-school athletes. HD PG-13	Stretch/Bobbito (2015) (CC) HD NR

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AMC	(5:30) Goonies: Kids find a treasure map.	★★ Home Alone 2: Lost in New York (1992): A boy meets old adversaries. HD	★★ Home Alone 2 (1992): A boy meets old adversaries. HD							
Animal Planet	Too Cute! (CC) HD TV-G	Too Cute NEW	Too Cute NEW	(9:02) Too Cute! (CC) HD TV-G	(10:02) Too Cute! (CC): Tabby kittens.	Too Cute!	Too Cute!			
BBC America	(5:30) Underworld	★★ Underworld/Evol (2006) TV-14-LSV	BBC Music Awards 2016 (CC) HD NEW							
BET	Kevin Hart (2011): Comedian Kevin Hart performs. TV-14-DL	(8:25) Kevin Hart: Let Me Explain (2013) (CC): A stand-up comic performs. HD TV-14-DL	Rock the Troops HD TV-PG-L							
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CSPAN	US House of Representatives Live.	Politics and Public Policy Today								
CSPAN 2	US Senate Live.	Public Affairs Events								
Dest. America	Fact or Faked TV-PG	Fact or Faked TV-PG	Fact or Faked TV-PG	Fact or Faked TV-PG	Fact or Faked TV-PG	Fact or Faked TV-PG	Fact or Faked TV-PG	Fact or Faked TV-PG	Fact or Faked TV-PG	Fact or Faked TV-PG
Discovery	Alaskan Bush	Alaskan Bush TV-PG	Alaskan Bush NEW	Legend NEW	(11:02) Bush People					
DIY	Rehab	Rehab	Rehab	Rehab	Rehab	Rehab	Rehab	Rehab	Rehab	Rehab
E!	E! News NEW	Total Divas NEW	Football NEW	Total Divas	E! News NEW					
Esquire	MacGyver NEW	Parks	Parks	Parks	Parks	Parks	Parks	Parks	Parks	Parks
Fit & Health	Trauma	Trauma	Trauma	Trauma	Trauma	Trauma	Trauma	Trauma	Trauma	Trauma
Food	Baking Champ.: Four bakers remain.	Kids Sweets HD TV-G NEW	Cooks vs. Cons HD TV-G NEW	Cooks vs. Cons HD TV-G	Cooks vs. Cons HD TV-G	Christmas Cookie Challenge 2 HD				
Fox Movies	(5:00) Flight	Equalizer (2014): A man defends the downtrodden.	(10:43) Equalizer TV-14-DLV							
Fox News	Carson NEW	O'Reilly NEW	Kelly File HD NEW	Hannity HD NEW	O'Reilly Factor HD					
FUSE	Chris	Chris	Chris	Chris	Chris					
FX	Christmas With	Santa Clause 2: Santa hunts for a wife.	Santa Clause 2: Santa hunts for a wife.							
Hallmark	Christmas Inc.	Looks Like Xmas (2016) (CC) HD TV-G	Dream of Christmas (2016) (CC) HD TV-G	Property Brothers (CC) HD TV-G	Property Brothers (CC) HD TV-G					
Home & Garden	Property Brothers (CC) HD TV-G	Property Brothers (CC) HD TV-G	Property Brothers (CC) HD TV-G	House H. NEW	House NEW	Property Brothers (CC) HD TV-G				
History	American Pickers (CC) HD TV-PG	Vikings: Ragnar can't raise a crew.	Vikings (CC) HD TV-14-V NEW	(10:02) Real Vikings HD TV-14-V	(11:04) Vikings: An issue with the crew.					
HLN	Forensic	Forensic	Justice NEW	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic
HSN	Great Gifts (CC)	Tony Little	Soft & Cozy TV-G	Soft & Cozy TV-G	Clever Carriage					
ID	Homicide Hunter (CC) HD TV-14-LSV	Homicide Hunter (CC) HD TV-14-LV	Grave Secrets (CC) HD TV-14-LV NEW	Homicide Hunter (CC) HD TV-14-LV	Homicide Hunter (CC) HD TV-14-LV					
IFC	(5:15) ★★★ Lethal Weapon 3	★★ Lethal Weapon 4 (1998) (CC): An aging cop duo tries to defeat a deadly gang. HD TV-MA-LV	(10:45) ★★★ Boogie Nights							
Lifetime	Little Women	Little Women	Little Women NEW	Little Women NEW	Little Women					
LMN	Don't Wake Mommy	Nightmare Nurse: A couple hires a nurse.	Pretty Little: A drunk-driving accident.							
MSNBC	Hardball HD NEW	All In/Hayes NEW	Maddow NEW	Last Word NEW	11th Hr	Hardball				
MTV	(6:35) CrazyStupidLove: Man is asked for a divorce. TV-14-DL	Real World NEW	R/World	Ridic.						
National Geographic	Drugs Inc.: The drug Ecstasy, or MDMA.	Drugs Inc. (CC) HD TV-PG-DLSV	Explorer (CC): The refugee crisis.	Years/Living (CC) HD NEW	Border Wars (CC) HD TV-14 NEW					
NatGeoWild	Incredible Dr. Pol	Blitzkrieg (2016) HD	Kingdom/Oceans	Kingdom/Oceans	Blitzkrieg (2016) HD					
NECN	News	The Take	News	Business	(8:59) News (CC)	News (CC)				
Ovation	★★ Mad Max/Thund.: A cop battles an evil ruler.	★★★ Terminator: A cyborg targets a woman. TV-14								
OWN	Dateline on OWN (CC) HD TV-14-DV	Dateline on OWN (CC) HD TV-14-V	Alex Cross (2012) (CC): A detective pursues a killer. HD TV-14-LSV	Alex Cross						
Oxygen	Stepmom (7:15) ★★ Bodyguard: A bodyguard protects a diva.	(9:50) ★★ Save/Last Dance (2001) TV-PG								
QVC	In the Kitchen (CC) Live. HD	The Shop (CC) Live. HD								
Science	Outrageous Acts	Outrageous Acts	Outrageous Acts	Outrageous Acts	Outrageous Acts					
Spike	Lip Sync NEW	Lip Sync NEW	Lip Sync Battle	Lip Sync	Lip Sync	Star Trek TV-14-V				
Sundance	(6:31) Rectify	(7:34) Rectify (CC) TV-14	(8:37) Rectify (CC): Daniel's life seems too real. TV-14-DL	Rectify (CC): Daniel envisions what his new life could be. TV-14-DL						
Syfy	Volcano	G.I. Joe/Rise: Military unit saves the world. TV-PG	Incorporated NEW	Skyfall (2012) TV-14						
TBS	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Conan NEW	
TCM	King of the Zombies	★★★ Sudden Fear (1952)	★★★ Dial M for Murder (1954)							
TLC	My 600-lb Life TV-14	My 600-lb Life TV-14	My 600-lb Life TV-14 NEW	S. Wives	My 600-lb Life TV-14					
TNT	(5:45) Wizard of Oz	Grinch	Grinch	Fred Claus (2007): Santa's ne'er-do-well brother.	Claus					
Travel	Expedition Unk.	Expedition Unk.	Exped. NEW	Expedition Unk.	Expedition Unk.					
TruTV	Jokers	Jokers	Jokers	Jokers	Jokers	Jokers	Jokers	Jokers	Jokers	Jokers
TV Land	Griffith	Griffith	Griffith	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Younger NEW	King/Qu.	King/Qu.
TV One	Unsung Hood (CC)	Unsung Hood (CC)	Unsung Hood (CC)	Takers (2010): Bank robbers plan a heist.						
USA	NCIS (CC) HD TV-14	WWE Tribute (CC) HD TV-PG NEW	Madea Christmas (2013) (CC) HD TV-PG							
VH-1	Love/Hop	★★ Freedom Writers: Students write in journals.	America's/Model	Love & Hip Hop						
WAM	(7:11) Made of Honor (2008) (CC) HD	(8:54) Into the Woods (2014) (CC) HD	★★ Challenge/Free							
WE	CSI: Miami TV-14-V	CSI: Miami								



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